

SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS EUROPE LIMITED

England & Wales · Charity number 1017482

Details

Other names	S P E EUROPE LIMITED, SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEEERS EUROPE LIMITED
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	02778741
Registered	1993-02-19
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS EXPLORATION AND RECOVERY

Activities: Promotes the science & technology of oil, gas exploration & recovery, efficiency and environmental issues globally. Delivers information about the oil and gas industry to society & conducts conference/training services. Provides resources to help students & others learn about energy industry and careers, funds scholarships in UK and globally in universities that offer technical degree programs.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** IN PRACTICE UK
- Austria
- Azerbaijan
- France
- Ghana
- Hungary
- Kazakhstan
- Kenya
- Netherlands
- Nigeria
- Norway
- Russia
- Scotland
- City Of London

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£4,087,116	£5,763,205	£4,527,652	7
2024-03-31	£3,610,528	£2,186,087	£5,650,593	21
2023-03-31	£2,364,776	£2,959,971	£4,614,849	23
2022-03-31	£1,023,085	£3,198,508	£5,519,765	31
2021-03-31	£1,830,594	£2,134,218	£7,695,188	31

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Laura Ioana Precupanu		2022-01-26
Michelle Boyd		2021-04-09

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Accounts

Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited

Consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

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Trustees

John Joseph Healy- resigned 30 June 2024

Michelle Boyd

Steven Byrne – appointed 1 July 2024

Laura Ioana Precupanu

Nicola Thomas

Grigory Zarayskiy

Company Secretary

John Joseph Healy – resigned 1 July 2024

Steven Byrne – appointed on 1 July 2024

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Trustees' report

For the year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees, who are also the Directors, present their report for the purposes of Company Law together with the consolidated financial statements and independent auditor's report for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Trustees and their Interests

The Trustees, who are also the Directors, who served during the year were as follows:

John Joseph Healy – resigned 1 July 2024

Michelle Boyd

Steven Byrne – appointed 1 July 2024

Laura Ioana Precupanu

Nicola Thomas

Grigory Zarayskiy

The Trustees are appointed on the recommendation of the Board of Directors of the parent undertaking and the existing Trustees and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

Principal Officer and Company Secretary

Steven Byrne – CFO – appointed 1 July 2024

John Joseph Healy – Human Resources Director and Company Secretary – resigned 1 July 2024

Grigory Zarayskiy – Director, European and Caspian Events

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited, company registration number: 2778741 and charity registration number: 1017482, is a private company limited by shares, which was incorporated on 6 January 1993 and commenced trading on 1 March 1993. It is a subsidiary undertaking of Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Inc, tax identification number 75-2001539, a charitable company incorporated and operating in the USA. The objects of the Company are set out in its Memorandum and Articles of Association. In February 1993, the Company was registered as a charity, with the purpose of aiding the dissemination of petroleum engineering knowledge through a variety of programmes including publications, specialist meetings, scholarships and internet-based services.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Appointment of Trustees

Trustees, Induction and Training

New Trustees are recruited from the Society's membership and are identified by peer review. A Trustee induction handbook is provided to new Trustees. This handbook is divided into four units, designed to (1) safeguard the values and mission of the organisation; (2) determine the strategy and structure of the organisation; (3) ensure the organisation operates in a responsible and accountable manner; and (4) ensure the effective functioning of the board. Trustees are provided with ongoing training and support as required to enable them to fulfil their duties effectively.

The Trustees of the board are not remunerated for the service that they provide to the Charity as Trustees of the board but where they fulfil other employment activities for the SPE group, they will receive remuneration from the Group. In such cases, remuneration is benchmarked against appropriate external data and reviewed by senior management, and if appropriate, the remuneration committee of SPE Inc on a regular basis.

Organisation

The SPE Inc Board is comprised of the SPE International officers. The SPE Inc Board is responsible for broad financial and operational oversight for the organisation.

Each regional board, including the Board of Trustees of the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited, is comprised of Directors selected at-large from within the region. Having at-large Directors serving on those boards gives a broad-based representation that enhances the decisions of those boards. The regional subsidiary boards have general fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the subsidiary operations.

In summary, the responsibilities of the various governing bodies are as follows:

- The SPE International Board is responsible for policy and programme development for the Society's worldwide activities.
- The SPE Inc Board has fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the entire organisation; and
- The regional subsidiary boards have fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the subsidiary operations.

The SPE Chief Executive Officer (CEO) together with the Chief Global Events Officer manages the worldwide staff operations. Each subsidiary has an Events Director who oversees the regional operations. The Events Directors report to the Chief Global Events Officer. The Chief Executive Officer and Chief Global Events Officer work closely with the Society officers and each of the governing bodies in making decisions and setting direction. Generally, the SPE International Board sets strategic direction and establishes policies after consultation with staff. Additionally, staff consult with the appropriate governing body on major operational issues, but staff have responsibility for operational decisions and execution of board-approved programmes.

Strategic Report

Objectives and Activities

The objectives and principal activities of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited continue to be in line with the vision of SPE International, which is to “enable the global oil and gas E&P industry to share technical knowledge needed to meet the world’s energy needs in a safe and environmentally responsible manner”, which guides the overall mission “To connect a global community of engineers, scientists, and related energy professionals to exchange knowledge, innovate, and advance their technical and professional competence regarding the exploration, development and production of oil and gas and related energy resources to achieve a safe, secure and sustainable energy future.”.

The Group achieves its objectives through a variety of programmes including publications, technical meetings, scholarships, educational programmes, training courses and web-based services.

Public Benefit

In planning our activities to meet our objectives our Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission’s general guidance on public benefit.

The Society believes that the key aspects of public benefit will be achieved by:

Development of the Exploration and Production (E&P) Industry workforce. SPE is the technical and professional home for those engaged in all aspects of the upstream oil and gas industry. All charitable activities focus on sharing of knowledge that keeps the E&P industry sustainable and are undertaken to further our charitable purpose to collect, disseminate, and exchange technical knowledge concerning the exploration, development and production of oil and gas resources, and related technologies for the public benefit.

By addressing technical challenges, as the largest upstream professional society, SPE provides a worldwide forum for sharing technology, knowledge and the latest solutions for overcoming the technical challenges of finding and producing more oil and natural gas. SPE also helps address critical issues of the future such as sustainability of energy supplies and carbon sequestration.

By preparing the next generation of energy professionals for careers in our industry, SPE’s programmes help by offering both professional and skill development through workshops, training courses, publications, Section activities and online mentoring.

By working with schools and universities to attract more young people to our profession with scholarships, our global energy multilingual education outreach programme, Energy4me, the SPE Ambassador programme and teacher workshops and education events aimed at students and school children.

By maintaining high professional standards by offering members continuing education options globally. SPE Petroleum Engineering Certification offers an international credential recognising petroleum engineering expertise.

Trustees' report (continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2025

Distinguished Lecturer Programme

The purpose of the programme is to provide SPE sections with outstanding speakers for section meetings, and to recognize the professional contributions of the selected Distinguished Lecturers. The programme selects a small group of members who -demonstrate exceptional knowledge relevant to the industry. These speakers are encouraged and supported to run their presentations by SPE for regional groups of members (Sections) around the world.

The programme promotes SPE's mission to connect a global community of engineers, scientists, and related energy professionals to exchange knowledge, innovate, and advance their technical and professional competence regarding the exploration, development, and production of oil and gas and related energy resources to achieve a safe, secure, and sustainable energy future. It is funded primarily by the SPE Foundation through member donations, as well as a contribution from Offshore Europe. SPE appreciates the companies that allow their professionals to serve as lecturers and the additional support from the SPE Foundation.

Current Position and Future Strategy

The main objectives for the forthcoming year, as well as the Trustees' assessment of the Group's actual performance for this year, are set out below:

Technical Meetings

In FY25, six events (conferences and workshops) were held in Europe and the Caspian, attended by SPE professional members, students and non-members. The same number of events occurred in FY25 as in FY24. As we are now fully post-pandemic, there were no virtual events in FY25. The focus in FY25 was to drive effectiveness and efficiency of events we organise.

In FY26, SPE Europe will continue to develop its portfolio of events with particular focus on energy transition, portfolio competitiveness and sustainability. Special focus is also on boosting our presence in Caspian region and solidifying the SPE's role as a point of reference for the industry.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Educational Programmes

SPE continues to maintain and add information to the Society's online resources and educational publications and services.

OnePetro

OnePetro, a multi-society online library, contains over 1.3 million searchable documents from SPE as well as 23 other publishing partners. OnePetro is supported by subscriptions from academic and corporate institutions as well as individual paper sales. The technical resources available on OnePetro continue to grow with peer-reviewed journal articles as well as proceedings from conferences held worldwide being added monthly. The majority of papers are in the English language; however, there are also papers available in the Russian and Spanish language.

Energy4Me

The Energy4me programme provides STEM education for school-aged children and their teachers through regional workshops and local classroom visits. 700+ SPE members have been trained to lead workshops benefiting more than 6,000 students and teachers worldwide. The programme offers resources in multiple languages, including the Oil and Natural Gas Book and teacher lesson plans.

Training Courses

Training courses are complementary to other events and are only held if there is sufficient minimal demand. No training courses were held in FY25, but there are plans to hold training courses around some of the SPE Europe/Caspian events in FY26.

Scholarships and Fellowships

Five named Scholarships and one Fellowship are awarded each year which are managed by staff in the UK. This includes the SPE Foundation Gus Archie Scholarship (one winner receiving USD 5,000 for up to 4 years), The SPE Foundation Nico van Wingen Graduate Fellowship (one winner receiving USD 5,000 for up to 4 years), The Henry DeWitt Smith Memorial Fellowship (one winner single payment of USD 5,000) and the Imomoh Scholarship (four winners with a single payment of USD 2,000).

From 2016, the Scholarships programme is administered by the Young Member Programmes Team based in the UK, though payments are processed by the SPE Foundation in the USA.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Student Paper Contests

Up to 14 regional contests aim to be run each year with the winners offered an expense paid trip to the SPE Annual Meeting to compete at an international level. Up to 42 winners (three per 14 regional contests) representing Undergraduate, master's and PhD can be invited. Depending on engagement with the program in each region, some regional contests may be combined or cancelled resulting in fewer winners and prizes given.

The winners are awarded funding to cover return flights to the international final at SPE Annual Meeting, four nights' accommodation, event registration and VISA costs, if required. Winners of the international competition are awarded an additional financial prize of USD 1,000. This is administered processed by the Young Member Programs Team in UK, and payments processed from the USA.

The Student Paper Contest program has an ongoing relationship with Chevron who financially support the program each year to a sum of USD 7,500. This amount is renegotiated each year, and other local sponsorship opportunities are available for the regional qualifier events.

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Awards Programme

With awards presented at a regional and international level SPE members achieve recognition amongst their peers within the industry. Individual members are nominated and judged to be recognized for technical achievements as well as outstanding contributions to members and the industry.

Certification Programme

SPE's Petroleum Engineering Certification programme provides members with the opportunity to obtain a globally recognized credential as a petroleum industry professional.

Certification exams continue to be held to provide an engineer qualification for those who choose to study hard for and take this multidisciplinary open book exam. High value is placed by the industry on those who can claim achievement of this qualification.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Sections

Sections are located around the world and provide an operating framework for all major society activities. Sections are semi-autonomous units and self-governing within the framework of SPE policies. Section members elect officers and directors annually. Sections are organized into regions, and each region has representation on the SPE Board of Directors. The Europe region added one new section in FY25, Porsgrunn Chapter (Norway).

This structure allows for members based geographically close to each other the opportunity to network with other members through meetings and events at a local level. Some sections are larger and some more active than others.

Student Chapters

Student Chapters are all affiliated with an academic establishment offering a relevant degree program related to the energy industry. In FY25 there were three new Student Chapter established within our Region. The three student chapters established in FY25 are: University of Dundee (United Kingdom), Polytechnic University of Tirana Chapter (Albania) and S. Utebayev AOGU (Kazakhstan). Chapters will continue to be established allowing SPE to continue the connection between students and our professional membership to secure the future of the industry workforce. There continues to be a strong growth in Student Chapters.

SPE Europe will continue to work in the year ahead to identify programmes and projects that meet our mission. The Trustees review new programmes regularly, which they can support, and new projects are regularly assessed for their value.

Achievements and Performance

All SPE's initiatives and activities are directed and organised by its members, with staff support. All such initiatives and activities are regularly reviewed and assessed by the membership, by use of membership and non-membership surveys. In addition, rigorous Key Performance Indicators set by the SPE Board of Directors regularly review and measure performance in all areas of the Society's work, including Publications and Periodicals, Technical Meetings and Conferences, Audit and Administration, Internet-Based Services and Member Services.

Risk Management

The Trustees have continued their overview during the year to examine the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces. Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe and its related entities face multiple risks. These various risks are normal and customary as they relate to Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe's business. Throughout this timeframe, internal audit (Grant Thornton) has observed, and reports that, the risks listed below are effectively managed in accordance with standard SPE and industry practices.

Strategic Risks (External)

- Political unrest – political issues/changes, e.g. Russia, Middle East, Africa
- Economic environment – 'Great Recession', banking issues, stagnant economic growth
- Social activism – oil spill(s), public perception/image of oil industry
- Cultural factors – diversity of religion(s), migration, aging of customer base

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Business Operating and Financial Risks (Internal)

- Processes – support SPE's mission; membership growth, event management
- Personnel – hiring, retention/attrition, training, growth
- Compliance – FCPA, UK Bribery Act, Charity Commission for England and Wales, Data Protection and privacy laws
- Sanctions – observing legal restrictions applicable to designated countries
- Traditional financial risks – addressed by the internal audit department; risk assessment, audit planning, systems and processes, evaluation of internal control(s) design, substantive testing of all major classes and categories of financial transactions, fraud awareness

Trustees' report (continued)

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External risks

SPE Europe's management has remained aware of external risks and has taken measures, such as cancelling, moving and rescheduling events that might present security or safety risks to attendees, sponsors and staff. There are no examples where any known significant risk was ignored.

The current situation with Russia and Ukraine has had a major effect on the ability to run events in the Russia region. SPE has suspended all events in Russia as of March 2022 and has now liquidated the Russian branch since July 2023.

Internal risks

SPE Europe's management has identified and improved its primary business processes consistently over time. Personnel levels are expanded or reduced as necessary and properly trained. Management has taken steps to ensure compliance with all applicable regulations promulgated by the governing bodies such as the Charity Commission for England and Wales and has acted proactively to ensure compliance with current regulations. Management has complied with all legal sanctions imposed by all governments involved. Financial risks have been assessed and evaluated by SPE's Internal Audit department. Management has responded positively to recommendations made by Internal Audit.

Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Trustees constantly monitor the risks and uncertainties facing the Group with reference to the exposure on price, exchange rates, credit, liquidity and cash flow risks. They are confident that there are suitable policies in place and there are no material risks and uncertainties which have not been considered.

Reserves policy

The SPE Europe board regularly reviews the financial position and performance of the charity and its trading subsidiaries and is confident that, despite the current global downturn in oil prices, the organisation has sufficient resources to continue trading as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

The primary purpose of the Reserve Fund (the Fund) for the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe (SPEU) and the aim of the Trustees' reserves policy is to make available a source of revenues to be used by SPEU or other subsidiaries of SPE Inc to:

- ensure the continuation of normal business activities should SPEU's operating revenues be insufficient to meet expenses during a period of sustained economic distress; and
- provide risk funds for the development of member service programmes as approved by the SPE Inc Board of Directors; and
- accommodate minor annual operating surpluses and deficits that may occur from time to time.

Trustees' report (continued)

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The corpus of the SPEU Reserve Fund shall be determined by the total resources expended as reported in the SPEU annual consolidated financial statement, as approved by the SPEU Board of Directors, averaged over a two-year period. Funds in the amount of one-half (6 months) the annual total resources expended should be accumulated for use in future capital expenditures and new ventures. Any amount over the target level for the Reserve Fund balance can be used for any purpose consistent with the Society's charitable status and objects and as approved by the SPEU Board of Directors.

	2025	2024 (Restated)	2023
Unrestricted funds	4,526,652	6,202,741	5,680,000
Less: Tangible fixed assets	(0)	(116,369)	(142,520)
Level of reserves available for purpose consistent with the Society's charitable status	4,526,652	6,086,372	5,537,480

In line with our reserves policy, the target amount for the SPEU reserves fund for the financial year ending 31 March 2025 is calculated to be equivalent to £4.2m (2024: £3.8m). When compared to the target reserve fund balance of £4.2m, a surplus of £0.3m (2024: £2.3m) remains in the level of reserves available for charitable purposes.

Investment Policy and Performance

The charity's policy is to invest in funds whose risk profile is considered to be low to moderate. The aim is to achieve over a period of several years better returns than those achieved by funds with a similar risk profile. The charity's portfolio has performed slightly better for the financial year ending 31 March 2025 giving the charity a gain of £108k (2024: Gain of £381k).

Trustees' report (continued)

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Financial Review

Details of the results of activity of the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe itself are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities.

During the year the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe consolidated Group had incoming resources from charitable activities of £1.9m (2024 restated: £3.4m) and investment gains of £108k (2024: Gain of £381k), the Group has expended resources of £5.8m (2024: £2.2m). Taken together with gain on investment assets, there was a loss for the year of £1.7m (2024: Restated Gain of £1.6m).

This year the Group's income receivable from the joint ventures amounted to £nil (2024: restated £2.7m). The partnership with Reed Exhibitions continues to be of critical importance both to SPE Europe and to SPEI's ability to deliver membership programmes such as the Distinguished Lecturer Programme.

At the end of the financial year the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe consolidated Group carries forward net assets of £4,526,652 (2024: restated £6,202,741). Listed investments plus cash and bank deposits totalled £5,010,608 (2024: £3,595,362) at the financial year end, comfortably sufficient to meet the Group's short-term obligations to creditors.

Operations

SPE Europe is now conducting its Own charitable trading activity within SPE Europe and no longer is utilizing SPE Ventures Limited for that purpose. During the year ended 31 March 2025, SPE Ventures Limited made an operating loss of £5,318 (2024: loss of £104,569). SPE Europe's main operations relate to the staging of conferences, workshops and training courses for professionals who are employed in the oil and gas industry. During the year ended 31 March 2025, SPE Trading Limited made an operating loss of £70,362 (2024: restated gain of £2,517,292). The company's main operations relate to the staging of joint venture conferences for professionals who are employed in the oil and gas industry.

The principal source of funding during the year continues to be income from conferences and workshops. In FY25, every effort has been made to keep costs as low as possible to ensure that events are not only relevant to the membership but also affordable. Local advice and recommendations continue to drive the programmes being produced in the emerging regions where events can act as a shop window on the Society and support our growth initiatives in these areas.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Highlights of this year's event programme are as follows:

The one-day **Norway Subsurface Conference** (BERG) was held for the second time since the pandemic, organized with the support of SPE Bergen Section and hosted by Equinor. The conference saw a record 248 registered delegates, a 23% increase over 2022, representing 75 companies from 14 countries, and achieved an impressive attendee recommendation score of 70. The conference attracted 19 sponsors, including host Equinor.

As Norway's only dedicated event addressing well, drilling, completion, and reservoir management issues, the conference was a resounding success. It included a welcome speech by the Mayor of Bergen and an opening panel featuring senior leadership from Equinor, AkerBP, SLB, and the Norwegian Petroleum Directorate. The event also featured 12 technical sessions, six e-poster sessions, and a Future Leadership Forum.

BERG will continue to remain biennial, ensuring balance between BERG and Drilling Conference (DC) conference, which now runs in Stavanger, Norway in odd years.

Europe Energy Conference (EuropEC or EURO) in Torino, Italy, was the first of its kind after the unexpected and short-noticed end of our collaboration with EAGE. We immediately decided to turn EuropEC into our flagship event on Energy Transition, in Europe and probably beyond. The event was not perfect, but the number of attendees (more than 500), given the circumstances, was far beyond expectations. We had attendees from outside Europe, and it is a very good signal for what EuropEC could become - despite numerous challenges, the collaborative effort by the committees, event team, and SPE senior leadership has firmly established the conference on the European map, creating a powerful platform to develop and grow it into a flagship event for energy transition in Europe. The new SPE tagline - Solutions. People. Energy. - reflects how SPE is spearheading the industry's transformation.

The **11th SPE Caspian Technical Conference** (CTC), 9th in-person edition, which traditionally rotates between Kazakhstan and Azerbaijan, took a bold evolutionary step by moving from the capital, Astana, to Atyrau - Kazakhstan's vital oil and gas hub. The event was held in the modern conference facilities of Atyrau Oil and Gas University.

Hosted by KazMunayGas (KMG), the national oil company of Kazakhstan, and supported by a record 12 other sponsors, the event attracted more than 530 delegates from 115 organizations and 23 countries, setting a new attendance record.

CTC continues its transformation into a truly pan-regional platform for innovation and collaboration, addressing regional technical challenges and fostering global competitiveness.

The return of the **SPE/IADC International Drilling Conference & Exhibition** (DC) to Stavanger, once again hosted by Equinor, was an unqualified success. The event attracted more than 930 delegates, marking a 10% increase in attendance. Sponsorship revenue rose by 35.5%, and exhibition revenue grew by 16% compared to the previous edition.

Building on the learnings from 2023 - when the conference and exhibition were held in adjacent venues - this year's format brought both under one roof. Two of the four conference rooms were located directly on the exhibition floor, which proved to be a key factor in driving engagement and contributing to the event's overall success.

Trustees' report (continued)

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The event continued to internationalize, with delegates representing 31 countries, a significant rise from 23 in 2023.

Plans for Future Periods

The key elements of the Charity's medium to long-term strategy are:

- Capability Development
- Knowledge Transfer
- Promoting Professional and Social Responsibility
- Public Education about the Petroleum Engineering profession and industry issues

SPE's programmes all strive to meet these strategic priorities fitting with the overall mission.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also Directors of Society of Petroleum Engineers (Europe) Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable Company and the Group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable Company and the Group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable Company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable Company's transactions, disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and the provisions of the charity's constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and the Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Insofar as each of the trustees of the charity at the date of approval of this report is aware there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the charity's auditor in connection with preparing the audit report) of which the charity's auditor is unaware. Each trustee has taken all of the steps that he/she should have taken as a trustee in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditor is aware of that information.

The Report of the Trustees, which includes the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report required by company law (included therein), was approved by the Board and signed on their behalf by:



Grigory Zarayskiy

Trustee

17/10/25

Independent auditor's report
For the year ended 31 March 2025

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS EUROPE LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Society of Petroleum Engineers Limited (the 'parent charitable company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Consolidated and Company Balance Sheets, the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2025 and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group and parent charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group's or parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Trustees' Report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Trustees' Report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' Report, which includes the Directors' Report and the Strategic Report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Directors' Report and the Strategic Report included within the Trustees' Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent charitable company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' Report or the Strategic Report included within the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent charitable company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent charitable company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' responsibilities set out on page 16 the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the group's and parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the group or parent charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise

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from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. The objectives of our audit are to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding compliance with laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, to perform audit procedures to help identify instances of non-compliance with other laws and regulations that may have a material effect on the financial statements, and to respond appropriately to identified or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations identified during the audit.

In relation to fraud, the objectives of our audit are to identify and assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud, to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud through designing and implementing appropriate responses and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit.

However, it is the primary responsibility of management, with the oversight of those charged with governance, to ensure that the entity's operations are conducted in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and for the prevention and detection of fraud.

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud, the group audit engagement team:

- obtained an understanding of the nature of the sector, including the legal and regulatory framework that the group and parent charitable company operates in and how the group and parent charitable company are complying with the legal and regulatory framework;
- inquired of management, and those charged with governance, about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities, including any known actual, suspected or alleged instances of fraud;
- discussed matters about non-compliance with laws and regulations and how fraud might occur including assessment of how and where the financial statements may be susceptible to fraud.

As a result of these procedures we consider the most significant laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements are FRS 102, Charities SORP (FRS 102), Companies Act 2006, Charities Act 2011, the parent charitable company's governing document and Charities (Protection and Social Investment) Act 2016. We performed audit procedures to detect non-compliances which may have a material impact on the financial statements which included reviewing the financial statements including the Trustees' Report, remaining alert to new or unusual transactions which may not be in accordance with the governing documents, inspecting correspondence with local tax authorities and evaluating advice received from internal/external advisors.

The most significant laws and regulations that have an indirect impact on the financial statements are those in relation to data protection. We performed audit procedures to inquire of management whether the group is in compliance with these law and regulations and inspected correspondence with regulatory authorities where applicable.

The group audit engagement team identified the risk of management override of controls and revenue recognition as the areas where the financial statements were most susceptible to material misstatement due to fraud. Audit procedures performed included but were not limited to testing manual journal entries and other adjustments and evaluating the business rationale in relation to significant, unusual transactions and transactions entered into

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outside the normal course of business and challenging judgments and estimates and testing income through tests of detail, including testing post year end receipts.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

RSM UK Audit LLP

NICHOLAS SLADDEN (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of RSM UK AUDIT LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants

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17/10/25

Consolidated statement of financial activities

(Incorporating an income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 Restated £
Income from			
Charitable activities	3	1,898,752	685,028
Other Income		2,080,589	-
Income from joint ventures	8	-	2,709,006
Investment income – Bank interest, dividends and interest		215	19
Total		3,979,556	3,394,053
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds			
Contributions		3,000,000	-
Management fee		450,957	59,171
Charitable activities	5	2,312,248	2,126,918
Total		5,763,205	2,186,089
Gain on investments		107,560	380,928
Net (Expenditure)/Income		(1,676,089)	1,588,892
Reconciliation of unrestricted funds			
Total unrestricted funds brought forward		6,202,741	4,613,849
Total unrestricted funds carried forward		4,526,652	6,202,741

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Consolidated balance sheet
for the year ended 31 March 2025
Registered number: 2778741

	Notes	2025 £	2025 £	2024 Restated £	2024 Restated £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		-		116,369
Fixed asset investments	11		<u>3,361,265</u>		<u>3,253,706</u>
			<u>3,361,265</u>		<u>3,370,075</u>
Current assets					
Debtors	12	555,951		3,411,020	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>1,660,706</u>		<u>341,656</u>	
		<u>2,216,657</u>		<u>3,752,676</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	<u>(1,050,270)</u>		<u>(919,010)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>1,166,387</u>		<u>2,833,666</u>
Net assets			<u><u>4,527,652</u></u>		<u><u>6,203,741</u></u>
Capital and funds					
Called-up share capital	14		1,000		1,000
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>					
General fund	15		4,526,652		6,202,741
Designated fund	15		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
Total capital and funds			<u><u>4,527,652</u></u>		<u><u>6,203,741</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the board and authorised for issue on 17/10/25 .



Grigory Zarayskiy
Trustee

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Company balance sheet
for the year ended 31 March 2025
Registered number: 2778741

		2025	2024
	Notes	£	£
Fixed assets			
Investment in SPE Venture and SPE Trading		2,060,022	-
Tangible assets	10	-	116,369
Investments	11	3,361,265	3,253,706
		<u>5,421,287</u>	<u>3,370,075</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	12	777,760	2,835,036
Cash at bank and in hand		1,117,309	304,686
		<u>1,895,069</u>	<u>3,139,722</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(1,017,389)	(859,204)
Net current assets		<u>877,680</u>	<u>2,280,518</u>
Net assets		<u>6,298,967</u>	<u>5,650,593</u>
Capital and funds			
Called-up equity share capital	14	1,000	1,000
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>			
General fund	15	6,297,967	5,649,593
Designated fund	15	-	-
Total capital and funds		<u>6,298,967</u>	<u>5,650,593</u>

No separate statement of financial activities is presented for Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited as provided by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006. The loss for the year for Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited for Companies Act 2006 purposes was £351,629 (2024: loss £823,829).

The financial statements were approved by the board and authorised for issue on 17/10/25 .



Grigory Zarayskiy

Trustee

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

Consolidated cash flow statement

for the year ended 31 March 2025

Registered number: 2778741

	Notes	2025 £	2024 Restated £
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net cash used in operating activities – 2024 Restated	(a)	1,319,050	(1,470,052)
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Dividends		-	-
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		-	-
Proceeds from sale of investments		-	1,250,000
Purchase of investments		-	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		-	1,250,000
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		-	(220,052)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		341,656	561,708
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		1,660,706	341,656

Note (a) – Reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities

	2025 £	2024 Restated £
Net expenditure for the reporting period	(1,676,089)	1,588,893
Net cash used in operating activities		
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	116,369	26,151
Revaluation of Assets	-	-
(Gains)/Losses on investments	(107,560)	(380,928)
Dividends, interest and rent from investments	-	-
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	2,855,069	(2,818,940)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	131,261	114,773
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	1,319,050	(1,470,052)
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents		
Cash in hand	1,660,706	341,656
Notice deposits (less than 3 months)	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	1,660,706	341,656

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1. Accounting policies

A summary of the Group's principal accounting policies, all of which have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year, is set out below.

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice. The presentation currency of these financial statements is sterling and balances are rounded to the nearest whole £.

Society of Petroleum Engineers (Europe) Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

The individual entity accounts of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited have taken advantage of the disclosure exemption under FRS 102 to separately disclose categories of financial instruments and items of income, expenses, prepare cash flow statements, gains or losses relating to instruments as these have been presented on a Group basis in the notes to the accounts.

Income received in foreign currency is translated at the month end exchange rate to GBP.

b) Going concern

As highlighted in the report of the Trustees, having assessed the Group's financial position, its plans for the foreseeable future and the risks to which it is exposed, the Trustees are satisfied that it remains appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The directors have reviewed the Group and Company's financial position, its plans for the foreseeable future and the risks to which it is exposed. Taking into account future cash flows for the Company and the group support that is available to the Group from the ultimate parent entity, SPE Inc., there is little risk that the Group will not be able to continue as a going concern. On the above basis, the directors remain satisfied that it continues to be appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The Group continues to expect challenges going forward as the industry is still in the recovery phase from the impact of the pandemic. The Group will continue to review planning progress for upcoming events and future events. The Group is continually managing its operating expenditures and reserves effectively to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

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c) Basis of consolidation

The Group financial statements consolidate the accounts of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited and all its subsidiary undertakings up to 31 March 2025. In the Company's accounts, investments in subsidiary undertakings are stated at cost, less amounts written off.

The Group financial statements incorporate joint ventures under the equity method of accounting, supplemented by additional disclosures for joint ventures.

The Group's results for the year are shown on page 21.

d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise general funds where monies are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and designated funds where monies are unrestricted, but they have been designated by the Trustees for a specific purpose.

e) Income

Investment income

Investment income relates to dividends and interest realised on investments and bank interest receivable. Investment income is accounted for on the accrual basis, other than dividend income, which is recognised on receipt.

Charitable activities

Income from charitable activities relates to conference income and represents amounts receivable (exclusive of VAT) from visitors to, and exhibitors at, petroleum conferences organised by the Group, together with donations from sponsor companies and other contributions. Conference and associated income is only recognised at the point at which the event is held and is deferred for events which occur in the next accounting period.

f) Expenditure

Raising Funds

Fundraising costs relate to management fees paid during the year. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

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Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprise expenditure, including staff costs, directly attributable to the activity. Where costs cannot be directly attributed, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. These costs are accounted for on the accrual basis.

Governance costs

Governance costs relate to expenditure, including Board expenses, attributable to the costs of running the Board. These costs are accounted for on an accrual basis.

Support Costs

Support costs are broken down into two difference categories, Support Costs-Management and Support Costs-Other. Support costs-Management covers Overhead expenses adjusted downward for management time for Due and Member Programs and Governance Costs. Support costs – Other covers Operating expenses plus Audit, Legal and Board Expenses.

g) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are shown at original historical cost. Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis on all tangible fixed assets at rates designed to write off costs, less estimated residual values, over their expected useful lives, as follows:

Computer equipment	- 3 to 5 years
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	- 5 to 10 years

h) Investments

Investments are stated at market value. Initial recognition of investments is at cost. It is the Group's policy to keep valuations up to date such that when investments are sold, there is no gain or loss arising. As a result, the Statement of Financial Activities includes those unrealised gains and losses arising from the revaluation of the investment portfolio throughout the year, and realised gains and losses of investments disposed during the year. Disclosure is made in note 10 of the difference between the historical cost and the sale proceeds of the investments sold during the year.

i) Joint ventures

An entity is treated as a joint venture where the Group holds a long term interest and shares control under a contractual agreement.

In the Group accounts, interests in joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The consolidated statement of financial activities indicates the Group's share of the net interest in the joint ventures. In the consolidated balance sheet notes, amounts owing from the joint venture are disclosed.

j) Operating lease commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

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k) Foreign currency

In the accounts of individual undertakings, transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded in GBP at actual exchange rates as of the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are reported at the rates of exchange prevailing at that date. Any gain or loss arising from a change in exchange rates subsequent to the date of the transaction is included as an exchange gain or loss in the statement of financial activities.

The results of overseas operations are translated at the average rate of exchange during the period. Balance sheet accounts are translated at the rate ruling at the balance sheet date.

l) Financial instruments

The Group has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Financial assets held at amortised cost comprise cash and bank and in hand, together with trade and other debtors. Financial liabilities held at amortised cost comprise bank loans and overdrafts, trade, other creditors and accruals.

Investments, including bonds held as part of an investment portfolio are held at fair value at the Balance Sheet date, with gains and losses being recognised within income and expenditure. Investments in subsidiary undertakings are held at cost less impairment.

m) Pension costs

The Group provides pensions to all employees through a funded defined contribution scheme. The amount expended in the statement of financial activities is the contributions payable in the year.

n) Company information

The charity is a private limited company, registered by shares (registered number 2778741), which is incorporated and domiciled in the England and Wales. The address of the registered office is 1 The Sanctuary Way, Westminster London SW1P 3JT.

o) Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, which are described in note 1, Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent

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from other sources. The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects the current and future periods.

In the view of the Trustees, no assumptions concerning the future or estimation uncertainty affecting assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date are likely to result in a material adjustment to their carrying amounts in the next financial year.

2. Change in Accounting Estimates and Prior Period

It was noted during the year ending 31 March 2025 that £164k of management charges in relation to the 2023 Offshore Europe event had not been accrued in the 31 March 2024 accounts. As such the comparatives have been restated as at 31 March 2024 to correct this as follows:

	2024 (Original) £	Adjustment £	2024 (Restated) £
Income from			
Charitable activities	685,028	-	685,028
Income from joint ventures	2,544,553	164,453	2,709,006
Investment income – Bank interest, dividends and interest	19	-	19
Increase/(decrease) in profit for this financial year	3,229,600	164,453	3,394,053
Current Assets			
Debtors	3,246,568	164,453	3,411,021
Cash at bank and in hand	341,656	-	341,656
	3,588,224	164,453	3,752,677
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(919,009)	-	(919,009)
Net current assets / (liabilities)	2,669,215	164,453	2,833,668

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3. Income from charitable activities

	Total 2025	2024 Restated
	£	£
Charitable activities	1,898,752	685,028
Contribution income	2,080,589	-
Total Income	3,979,341	685,028

The geographic split of the turnover is as follows:

Geographic Region	2025	2024 Restated
	£	£
UK	87,978	78,133
Europe	1,471,045	221,426
Caspian	339,729	385,469
United States	2,080,589	-
	3,979,341	685,028

4. Net expenditure for the year

Net expenditure for the year is stated after charging:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Staff costs (see note 6)	463,460	1,096,723
Depreciation	116,369	26,151
Rent	40,420	195,022
Auditor's remuneration	66,743	64,495
Non-audit services (tax compliance)	6,500	8,250
	693,492	1,390,641

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5. Expenditure in respect of charitable activities

Activity	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs management	Support costs other	Total 2025
Conferences Members' Programmes	1,348,097	600,539	363,612	2,312,248
	-	-	-	-
	<u>1,348,097</u>	<u>600,539</u>	<u>363,612</u>	<u>2,312,248</u>

Activity	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs management	Support costs other	Total 2024
Conferences Members' Programmes	388,591	1,181,438	511,653	2,081,682
	-	20,306	-	20,306
	<u>388,591</u>	<u>1,201,744</u>	<u>511,653</u>	<u>2,101,988</u>

Support costs are analysed as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Support costs:		
Staff costs	508,638	1,096,388
Other operating expenses	40,948	57,843
Governance costs	91,901	105,267
Administration costs	322,664	453,899
	<u>964,151</u>	<u>1,713,397</u>

6. Governance costs

Governance costs are stated in respect of:

	2025	2024
	£	£
External audit and taxation services	80,293	72,745
Other financial services and consultancy	11,608	32,521
Management salaries	<u>33,318</u>	<u>47,513</u>

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<u>125,219</u>	<u>152,779</u>
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7. Staff costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	378,378	960,626
Social security costs	45,076	94,741
Other pension costs (note 14c)	40,006	41,356
	<u>463,460</u>	<u>1,096,723</u>

Staff costs exclude the salaries for 7 individuals totalling £402,159 (2024: £456,656) who are employed by the Group but work primarily for Society of Petroleum Engineers Inc and whose time has been re-charged to that entity.

The average number of employees, including Directors (who are Trustees), employed by the Group during the year was:

	2025	2024
	Number	Number
Members programme	2	3
Conference organization	3	7
Support	1	3
Sales & Marketing	1	3
Management and administration	-	5
	<u>7</u>	<u>21</u>

The number of employees earning over £60,000 during the year, excluding pension contributions, was as follows:

	2025	2024
	Number	Number
Income band £110,000 - £ 119,999	1	-
Income band £80,000 - £ 89,999	1	1
Income band £70,000 - £ 79,999	-	1
	<u>-</u>	<u>2</u>

Pension contributions to money purchasing pension scheme in respect of the above employees during the year were £Nil (2024: £8,644).

In addition to the Trustees, Key management personnel of the charity comprise the Human Resources Director, the Events Director for Europe, Caspian and Sub-Saharan Africa, the Senior Manager for Sales and Business

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Development and the Senior Finance Manager. The cost for the Human Resources Director is re-charged to Society of Petroleum Inc.

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £401,103 (2024: £360,240).

Trustees' remuneration

The following Trustees received the following remuneration as employees of SPE Europe and/or the parent entity SPE Inc during the year:

	Basic	Benefits	Total
John Joseph Healy	65,713	6,408	72,121
Niki Thomas	74,819	4,591	79,410
Grigory Zarayskiy	103,035	7,504	110,539
Total	243,567	18,503	262,070

None of the Trustees were remunerated for their services as Trustees. The Trustees expenses for the year amounted to £Nil (2024: £Nil).

8. Income from joint venture

The geographical analysis of the share of the Group's profits from the joint ventures is as follows:

	2025	2024 Restated
United Kingdom	-	2,709,006
	-	2,709,006

9. Taxation

Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited is a registered charity and is not subject to UK corporation tax on profits from its charitable activities. The subsidiaries are not charities and are therefore subject to corporation tax on their profits.

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10. Tangible fixed assets

	Computer equipment	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
Group and Company			
	£	£	£
Cost			
At beginning of year	222,101	487,622	709,723
At end of year	222,101	487,622	709,723
Depreciation			
At beginning of year	208,672	384,682	593,354
Charge for the year	13,429	102,940	116,369
At end of year	(222,101)	(487,622)	(709,723)
Net book value			
At 1 April 2024	13,429	102,940	116,369
At 31 March 2025	-	-	-

SPE Europe closed their physical office location during fiscal year 2025. All assets were removed from the building, and all remaining assets were written off.

11. Fixed asset investments

	Group		Company	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Listed investments	3,361,265	3,253,706	3,361,265	3,253,706
Subsidiary undertakings	-	-	2,060,022	4
	3,361,265	3,253,706	5,421,287	3,253,710

The Group has a 50% interest in the Offshore Europe Partnership. The E&P Events Partnership was dissolved in January 2024. The Offshore Europe Partnership holds a biennial conferences for petroleum engineers. Audited accounts are prepared for the Offshore Europe Partnership every two years. The last Offshore Europe Partnership

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conference was held during the year ending 31 December 2023. The next Offshore Europe Partnership conference will be held in September 2025.

The Group is entitled to draw the whole of its share of the profit from the Offshore Europe Partnership. The Group has received, as part of its entitlement under the Offshore Europe Partnership agreement, an amount of £nil (2024: £2,709,006).

The Group's aggregate interests in the joint ventures are as follows;

	2025	2024 Restated
	£	£
Turnover	-	2,709,006
Tangible fixed assets		
Current assets	-	2,763,567
Liabilities due within one year	-	(54,561)
Net assets	-	2,709,006

Included in incoming resources from charitable activities, in addition to conference programming income receivable, there are cost reimbursements, sponsorship and management fees from the joint venture amounting to £Nil (2024 £2,706,009).

Principal Group investments

The Company has two wholly owned subsidiary undertakings at the year-end: SPE Trading Limited and SPE Ventures Limited, both of which are registered in England and Wales (see note 16).

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11. Fixed asset investments

Listed investments

	2025 £	2024 £
Market value as at beginning of year	3,253,706	4,122,778
Disposal proceeds	-	(1,250,000)
Net investment gain/(loss) in year	107,560	380,928
Market value at end of year	3,361,266	3,253,706
Historical cost at end of year	2,627,941	2,627,941
Unrealised gain at end of year	733,325	625,765
Realised gain on historical cost basis	-	137,066

Listed investments comprise investments listed on the UK Stock Exchange.

12. Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Company	
	2025 £	2024 Restated £	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	329,390	387,400	329,390	387,400
Amount owed by JV	-	164,452	-	-
Amount owed by related entities	96,209	58,459	96,209	58,459
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	70	-	224,056	2,116,342
Other debtors	-	-	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	130,282	2,800,709	128,105	272,836
	555,951	3,411,020	777,760	2,835,037

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13. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Company	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Trade Creditors	262,603	193,486	262,603	187,026
Amounts owed to related group entities	313,533	45,880	299,180	12,046
Amount owed to subsidiary undertakings	1,226	-	1,226	-
Taxation and social security	85,068	67,374	85,068	77,739
Other Creditors	-	-	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	387,840	612,269	369,312	582,393
	1,050,270	919,009	1,017,389	859,204

Deferred Income

Income deferred in the current year relates to advanced conference registrations, exhibition and sponsorship income for conferences taking place after 31 March 2025.

	Group	Company
	£	£
Balance as at 1 April 2024	285,412	285,412
Amount released to incoming resources	(29,921)	(29,921)
Amount deferred in year	255,491	255,491
Balance as at 31 March 2025	255,491	255,491

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14. Called-up equity share capital

	2025 £	2024 £
Group and Company <i>Allotted, called-up and fully-paid</i> 1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>

15. Reconciliation of movements in capital and funds

	Balance 1 April 2024	Income	Net gains/(losses) on investment	Expenditure	Balance 31 March 2025
2025					
Group	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	7,202,743	3,979,556	107,560	(5,763,205)	5,526,654
SPE Members Program fund	(1,000,000)	-	-	-	(1,000,000)
Total capital and funds	<u>6,203,743</u>	<u>3,979,556</u>	<u>107,560</u>	<u>(5,763,205)</u>	<u>4,527,654</u>

Company	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Dividend from SPE Trading	-	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000
Unrestricted general funds	5,649,597	5,271,221	107,560	(5,730,411)	5,297,967
Total capital and funds	<u>5,650,597</u>	<u>6,271,221</u>	<u>107,560</u>	<u>(5,730,411)</u>	<u>6,298,967</u>

	Balance 1 April 2023	Income	Net gains/(losses) on investment	Expenditure	Balance 31 March 2024
2024 Restated					
Group	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	5,613,849	3,394,053	380,928	(2,186,087)	7,202,743
SPE Members Program fund	(1,000,000)	-	-	-	(1,000,000)
Total capital and funds	<u>4,614,849</u>	<u>3,394,053</u>	<u>380,928</u>	<u>(2,186,087)</u>	<u>6,203,741</u>

Company	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	6,473,426	829,518	380,928	(2,034,275)	5,649,597
Total capital and funds	<u>6,474,426</u>	<u>829,518</u>	<u>380,928</u>	<u>(2,034,275)</u>	<u>5,650,597</u>

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The Members Programme fund comprises funds designated by the Trustees to support the Members Programme, both of which are administered by the Company in line with the funding programme set out in the 2023 strategic plan. The level of funding made available to these programmes will be reviewed annually by the Board.

Transfers represent the intercompany funds transfer between SPE Europe Limited and its subsidiaries, SPE Trading Limited and SPE Ventures Limited.

16. Guarantees and financial commitments

a. Capital commitments

At the end of the year, there were no capital commitments (2024: £Nil).

b. Lease commitments

At 31 March 2025 the Group and Company had aggregate minimum lease payment commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Operating leases for land and buildings, which expire:				
In less than one year	-	52,370	-	52,370
one to 5 years	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

c. Pension arrangements

The Group provides defined contribution pension schemes for all employees.

The amount charged to the statement of financial activities is the contributions payable in the year and amounted to £40,006 (2024: £41,355).

d. Contingent liabilities

As a partner in Offshore Europe Partnership and E & P Events LLP, SPE Trading Limited is jointly and severally liable, without limit, for the debts of the partnerships. In the event that either partnership fails to pay any debt for which it has primary liability or is unable to pay amounts due, creditors may look directly to SPE Trading Limited for settlement of their debts or obligations.

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17. Subsidiary undertakings

	SPE Ventures Limited	SPE Trading Limited
	£	£
Turnover	-	-
Income from joint venture	-	-
Costs	(5,318)	(70,362)
Net (Loss)/Gain	(5,318)	(70,362)
Interest receivable	-	-
(Loss)/Profit before tax	(5,318)	(70,362)
Tax charge	-	-
 (Loss)/Profit before tax	 (5,318)	 (70,362)
 Retained earnings at start of year	 (2,057,475)	 2,610,620
 Gift Aid payment	 -	 (2,248,780)
 Investment from SPE Europe Limited	 2,060,018	 -
Retained earnings at end of year	(2,775)	291,478
 Net (Liabilities)/Assets	 (2,773)	 291,480

The Company owns the whole of the issued ordinary share capital of SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited, both companies being registered in England (company no. 02538982 and 02365974) and sharing the same registered office as SPE Europe (see note 1).

The Group conducts its trading activities through its, SPE Europe Limited and SPE Trading Limited. These companies organise and hold workshops, training courses and conferences to further the aims of the charitable organisation. SPE Ventures Limited will be dissolved in the future once all debt obligations have been paid.

The value of the parent Company's investment in SPE Ventures is £2,060,020 and in SPE Trading is £2. SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited are registered at the Company's offices at 1 The Sanctuary, Westminster, London SW1P 3JT.

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18. Ultimate parent undertaking

The ultimate parent company and controlling related party is Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Inc, registered at 222 Palisades Creek Drive, Richardson, Texas 75080 USA.

At year end, the Group had the following related party transactions and year end balances with Group entities:

	Transactions charged to related parties in the year £	Transactions charged from related parties in the year £	Receivable from related party at year end £	Payable to related party at year end £
2025				
SPE International	-	(66,912)	95,251	(7,889)
SPE Canada	-	-	-	-
SPE Foundation	-	-	-	-
SPE Middle East	-	(382,819)	958	(305,644)
SPE Asia Pacific	-	(1,226)	-	(1,226)
SPE sections and chapters	-	-	-	-
	-	(450,957)	96,209	(314,759)
2024				
SPE International	-	(26,310)	58,459	(33,834)
SPE Canada	-	-	-	-
SPE Foundation	-	-	-	-
SPE Middle East	-	(1,380)	-	(12,046)
SPE Asia Pacific	-	-	-	-
SPE sections and chapters	-	-	-	-
	-	(27,690)	58,459	(45,880)

19. Financial instruments

The charity held assets at fair value through income and expenditure of £5,421,287 (2024: £3,253,706). Movements in the year through the statement of financial activities comprised income of £Nil (2024: £Nil) and gain of £107,560 (2024: gain of £380,928).

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Trustees' report

For the year ended 31 March 2024

The Trustees, who are also the Directors, present their report for the purposes of Company Law together with the consolidated financial statements and independent auditor's report for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees and their Interests

The Trustees, who are also the Directors, who served during the year were as follows:

John Joseph Healy
Michelle Boyd
Laura Ioana Precupanu
Nicola Thomas
Grigory Zarayskiy

The Trustees are appointed on the recommendation of the Board of Directors of the parent undertaking and the existing Trustees and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

Principal Officer and Company Secretary

John Joseph Healy – Human Resources Director and Company Secretary
Grigory Zarayskiy – Director, European and Caspian Events

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited, company registration number: 2778741 and charity registration number: 1017482, is a Private company limited by shares, which was incorporated on 6 January 1993 and commenced trading on 1 March 1993. It is a subsidiary undertaking of Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Inc, tax identification number 75-2001539, a charitable company incorporated and operating in the USA. The objects of the Company are set out in its Memorandum and Articles of Association. In February 1993, the Company was registered as a charity, with the purpose of aiding the dissemination of petroleum engineering knowledge through a variety of programmes including publications, specialist meetings, scholarships and internet based services.

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Appointment of Trustees

Trustees, Induction and Training

New Trustees are recruited from the Society's membership and are identified by peer review. A Trustee induction handbook is provided to new Trustees. This handbook is divided into four units, designed to (1) safeguard the values and mission of the organisation; (2) determine the strategy and structure of the organisation; (3) ensure the organisation operates in a responsible and accountable manner; and (4) ensure the effective functioning of the board. Trustees are provided with ongoing training and support as required to enable them to fulfil their duties effectively.

The Trustees of the board are not remunerated for the service that they provide to the Charity as Trustees of the board but where they fulfil other employment activities for the SPE group, they will receive remuneration from the Group. In such cases, remuneration is benchmarked against appropriate external data and reviewed by senior management, and if appropriate, the remuneration committee of SPE Inc on a regular basis.

Organisation

The SPE Inc Board is comprised of the SPE International officers. The SPE Inc Board is responsible for broad financial and operational oversight for the organisation.

Each regional board, including the Board of Trustees of the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited, is comprised of Directors selected at-large from within the region. Having at-large Directors serving on those boards gives a broad-based representation that enhances the decisions of those boards. The regional subsidiary boards have general fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the subsidiary operations.

In summary, the responsibilities of the various governing bodies are as follows:

- The SPE International Board is responsible for policy and programme development for the Society's worldwide activities.
- The SPE Inc Board has fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the entire organisation; and
- The regional subsidiary boards have fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the subsidiary operations.

The SPE Chief Executive Officer (CEO) together with the Chief Global Events Officer manages the worldwide staff operations. Each subsidiary has an Events Director who oversees the regional operations. The Events Directors report to the Chief Global Events Officer. The Chief Executive Officer and Chief Global Events Officer work closely with the Society officers and each of the governing bodies in making decisions and setting direction. Generally, the SPE International Board sets strategic direction and establishes policies after consultation with staff. Additionally, staff consult with the appropriate governing body on major operational issues, but staff have responsibility for operational decisions and execution of board-approved programmes.

Strategic Report

Objectives and Activities

The objectives and principal activities of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited continue to be in line with the vision of SPE International, which is to “enable the global oil and gas E&P industry to share technical knowledge needed to meet the world’s energy needs in a safe and environmentally responsible manner”, which guides the overall mission “To connect a global community of engineers, scientists, and related energy professionals to exchange knowledge, innovate, and advance their technical and professional competence regarding the exploration, development and production of oil and gas and related energy resources to achieve a safe, secure and sustainable energy future.”.

The Group achieves its objectives through a variety of programmes including publications, technical meetings, scholarships, educational programmes, training courses and web-based services.

Public Benefit

In planning our activities to meet our objectives our Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission’s general guidance on public benefit.

The Society believes that the key aspects of public benefit will be achieved by:

Development of the Exploration and Production (E&P) Industry workforce. SPE is the technical and professional home for those engaged in all aspects of the upstream oil and gas industry. All charitable activities focus on sharing of knowledge that keeps the E&P industry sustainable and are undertaken to further our charitable purpose to collect, disseminate, and exchange technical knowledge concerning the exploration, development and production of oil and gas resources, and related technologies for the public benefit.

By addressing technical challenges, as the largest upstream professional society, SPE provides a worldwide forum for sharing technology, knowledge and the latest solutions for overcoming the technical challenges of finding and producing more oil and natural gas. SPE also helps address critical issues of the future such as sustainability of energy supplies and carbon sequestration.

By preparing the next generation of energy professionals for careers in our industry, SPE’s programmes help by offering both professional and skill development through workshops, training courses, publications, Section activities and online mentoring.

By working with schools and universities to attract more young people to our profession with scholarships, our global energy multilingual education outreach programme, Energy4me, the SPE Ambassador programme and teacher workshops and education events aimed at students and school children.

By maintaining high professional standards by offering members continuing education options globally. SPE Petroleum Engineering Certification offers an international credential recognising petroleum engineering expertise.

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Distinguished Lecturer Programme

The purpose of the program is to provide SPE sections with outstanding speakers for section meetings, and to recognize the professional contributions of the selected Distinguished Lecturers. The program selects a small group of members who -demonstrate exceptional knowledge relevant to the industry. These speakers are encouraged and supported to run their presentations by SPE for regional groups of members (Sections) around the world.

The program promotes SPE's mission to connect a global community of engineers, scientists, and related energy professionals to exchange knowledge, innovate, and advance their technical and professional competence regarding the exploration, development, and production of oil and gas and related energy resources to achieve a safe, secure, and sustainable energy future. It is funded primarily by the SPE Foundation through member donations, as well as a contribution from Offshore Europe. SPE appreciates the companies that allow their professionals to serve as lecturers and the additional support from AIME.

Current Position and Future Strategy

The main objectives for the forthcoming year, as well as the Trustees' assessment of the Group's actual performance for this year, are set out below:

Technical Meetings

In FY24, seven events (conferences and workshops) were held in Europe and the Caspian, attended by SPE professional members, students and non-members. Fewer events were held in FY24 compared to FY23 mainly because of the cyclical nature of some events and necessity to focus on the biennial SPE Offshore Europe, our flagship event in Europe. As we are now fully post-pandemic, there were no virtual events in FY24. The focus in FY24 was to drive effectiveness and efficiency of events we organise.

In FY25, SPE Europe will continue to develop its portfolio of events with particular focus on energy transition, portfolio competitiveness and sustainability. Special focus is also on boosting our presence in Caspian region and solidifying the SPE's role as a point of reference for the industry.

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Educational Programmes

SPE continues to maintain and add information to the Society's online resources and educational publications and services.

OnePetro

OnePetro, a multi-society online library, contains over 1.3 million searchable documents from SPE as well as 23 other publishing partners. OnePetro is supported by subscriptions from academic and corporate institutions as well as individual paper sales. The technical resources available on OnePetro continue to grow with peer-reviewed journal articles as well as proceedings from conferences held worldwide being added monthly. The majority of papers are in the English language; however, there are also papers available in the Russian language.

Energy4Me

The Energy4me programme provides STEM education for school-aged children and their teachers through regional workshops and local classroom visits. 700+ SPE members have been trained to lead workshops benefiting more than 6,000 students and teachers worldwide. The programme offers resources in multiple languages, including the Oil and Natural Gas Book and teacher lesson plans.

Training Courses

Training courses are complementary to other events and are only held if there is sufficient minimal demand. There are few training courses planned for in FY25.

Scholarships and Fellowships

5 Scholarships and Fellowships are continuing to be awarded each year which are operated by staff in the SPE London Office and award students around the world. This includes the SPE Foundation Gus Archie Scholarship (one winner receiving USD 5,000 for up to 4 years), The SPE Foundation Nico van Wingen Graduate Fellowship (one winner receiving USD 5,000 for up to 4 years), The Henry DeWitt Smith Memorial Fellowship (one winner single payment of USD 5,000) and the Imomoh Scholarship (four winners with a single payment of USD 2,000). In November 2019 applications also opened for a new Scholarship called the Donald G. Russell Scholarship which gives 2 recipients studying in the USA, a one-time payment of USD 4,000 and the first payment went out in the summer of 2020.

From 2016, the Scholarships programme is administered by the Young Member Programs Team based in the UK, though payments are processed from SPE Headquarters in the USA.

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Student Paper Contests

Up to 14 regional contests aim to be run each year with the winners offered an expenses paid trip to compete internationally at the SPE Annual Meeting to compete at an international level. Up to 42 winners (three per 14 regional contests) representing Undergraduate, Master's and PhD can be invited. Depending on engagement with the program in each region, some regional contests may be combined or cancelled which may result in fewer winners and prizes given.

The winners are awarded funding to cover return flights, four nights' accommodation, event registration and VISA costs if required. Where possible these costs are paid for directly but in some situations, reimbursements are made directly to students who have already covered the costs themselves. Winners of the international competition are awarded an additional financial prize of USD 1,000. This is administered processed by the Young Member Programs Team in UK, and payments processed from Headquarters in the USA.

The Student Paper Contest program has an ongoing relationship with Chevron who financially support the program each year to a sum of USD7,500. This amount is renegotiated each year.

Distinguished Lecture Programme

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Awards Programme

With awards presented at a regional and international level SPE members achieve recognition amongst their peers within the industry. Individual Members are nominated and judged in order to be recognized for technical achievements as well as outstanding contributions to members and the industry as a whole.

Certification Programme

SPE's Petroleum Engineering Certification program provides members with the opportunity to obtain a globally recognized credential as a petroleum industry professional.

Certification exams continue to be run to give a qualification for those who choose to study hard for and take this multidisciplinary open book exam. High value is placed by the industry on those who can claim achievement of this qualification.

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Sections

Sections are located around the world and provide an operating framework for all major society activities. Sections are semi-autonomous units and self-governing within the framework of SPE policies. Section members elect officers and directors annually. Sections are organized into regions, and each region has representation on the SPE Board of Directors.

This structure allows for members based geographically close to each other the opportunity to network with other members through meetings and events at a local level. Some Sections are larger and some more active than others. In FY24 no new Sections were established. In FY25 new Sections will continue to be established as the membership continues to grow across the regions.

Student Chapters

Student Chapters are all affiliated with an academic establishment offering a relevant degree program related to the energy industry. In FY24 there was one new Student Chapter established within our Region. The university is based in Ukraine. In the coming year, new Chapters will continue to be established allowing SPE to continue the connection between students and our professional membership to secure the future of the industry workforce. There continues to be a strong growth in Student Chapters.

SPE Europe will continue to work in the year ahead to identify programmes and projects that meet our mission. The Trustees review new programmes regularly, which they can support and new projects are regularly assessed for their value.

Achievements and Performance

All of SPE's initiatives and activities are directed and organised by its members, with staff support. All such initiatives and activities are regularly reviewed and assessed by the membership, by use of membership and non-membership surveys. In addition, rigorous Key Performance Indicators set by the SPE Board of Directors regularly review and measure performance in all areas of the Society's work, including Publications and Periodicals, Technical Meetings and Conferences, Audit and Administration, Internet-Based Services and Member Services.

Risk Management

The Trustees have continued their overview during the year to examine the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces. Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe and its related entities face multiple risks. These various risks are normal and customary as they relate to Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe's business. In addition to management's assessment of these risks, SPE's internal audit function has been actively auditing SPE's operations in London for over five years. Throughout this timeframe, internal audit has observed, and reports that, the risks listed below are effectively managed in accordance with standard SPE and industry practices.

Strategic Risks (External)

- Political unrest – political issues/changes, e.g. Russia, Middle East, Africa
- Economic environment – 'Great Recession', banking issues, stagnant economic growth
- Social activism – oil spill(s), public perception/image of oil industry

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- Cultural factors – diversity of religion(s), migration, aging of customer base

Business Operating and Financial Risks (Internal)

- Processes – support SPE's mission; membership growth, event management
- Personnel – hiring, retention/attrition, training, growth
- Compliance – FCPA, UK Bribery Act, Charity Commission for England and Wales, Data Protection and privacy laws
- Sanctions – observing legal restrictions applicable to designated countries
- Traditional financial risks – addressed by the internal audit department; risk assessment, audit planning, systems and processes, evaluation of internal control(s) design, substantive testing of all major classes and categories of financial transactions, fraud awareness

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External risks

SPE Europe's management has remained aware of external risks and has taken measures, such as cancelling, moving and rescheduling events that might present security or safety risks to attendees, sponsors and staff. There are no examples where any known significant risk was ignored.

The current situation with Russia and Ukraine has had a major effect on the ability to run events in the Russia region. SPE has suspended all events in Russia as of March 2022 and has now liquidated the Russian branch since July 2023.

Internal risks

SPE Europe's management has identified and improved its primary business processes consistently over time. Personnel levels are expanded or reduced as necessary and properly trained. Management has taken steps to ensure compliance with all applicable regulations promulgated by the governing bodies such as the Charity Commission for England and Wales and has acted proactively to ensure compliance with current regulations. Management has complied with all legal sanctions imposed by all governments involved. Financial risks have been assessed and evaluated by SPE's Internal Audit department. Management has responded positively to recommendations made by Internal Audit.

Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Trustees constantly monitor the risks and uncertainties facing the Group with particular reference to the exposure on price, exchange rates, credit, liquidity and cash flow risks. Management has procedures in place whereby forward contracts may be used to hedge against foreign exchange risks and credit control procedures are tightly monitored in order to minimise liquidity and cash flow risks. They are confident that there are suitable policies in place and there are no material risks and uncertainties which have not been considered.

Reserves policy

The SPE Europe board regularly reviews the financial position and performance of the charity and its trading subsidiaries and is confident that, despite the current global downturn in oil prices, the organisation has sufficient resources to continue trading as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

The primary purpose of the Reserve Fund (the Fund) for the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe (SPEU) and the aim of the Trustees' reserves policy is to make available a source of revenues to be used by SPEU or other subsidiaries of SPE Inc to:

- ensure the continuation of normal business activities should SPEU's operating revenues be insufficient to meet expenses during a period of sustained economic distress;
- provide risk funds for the development of member service programmes as approved by the SPE Inc Board of Directors; and
- accommodate minor annual operating surpluses and deficits that may occur from time to time.

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The corpus of the SPEU Reserve Fund shall be determined by the total resources expended as reported in the SPEU annual consolidated financial statement, as approved by the SPEU Board of Directors, averaged over a two-year period. Funds in the amount of one-half (6 months) the annual total resources expended should be accumulated for use in future capital expenditures and new ventures. Any amount over the target level for the Reserve Fund balance can be used for any purpose consistent with the Society's charitable status and objects and as approved by the SPEU Board of Directors.

	2024	2023	2022
Unrestricted funds	6,038,290	5,680,000	5,520,290
Less: Tangible fixed assets	(116,369)	(142,520)	(178,067)
Level of reserves available for purpose consistent with the Society's charitable status	5,921,921	5,537,480	5,342,223

In line with our reserves policy, the target amount for the SPEU reserves fund for the financial year ending 31 March 2024 is calculated to be equivalent to £3.8m (2023: £4.0m). When compared to the target reserve fund balance of £3.8m, a surplus of £2.1m (2023: £1.5m) remains in the level of reserves available for charitable purposes.

Investment Policy and Performance

The charity's policy is to invest in funds whose risk profile is considered to be low to moderate. The aim is to achieve over a period of several years better returns than those achieved by funds with a similar risk profile. The charity's portfolio has performed well for the financial year ending 31 March 2024 giving the charity a gain of £381k (2023: Loss of £309k).

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Financial Review

Details of the results of activity of the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe itself are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities.

During the year the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe consolidated Group had incoming resources from charitable activities of £3.2m (2023: £2.4m) and investment gains of £381k (2023: Loss of £309k), the Group has expended resources of £2.2m (2023: £2.9m). Taken together with gain on investment assets, there was a gain for the year of £1.4m (2023: Loss of £839k).

This year the Group's income receivable from the joint ventures amounted to £2.5m (2023: Nil). The partnership with Reed Exhibitions continues to be of critical importance both to SPE Europe and to SPEI's ability to deliver membership programmes such as the Distinguished Lecturer Programme.

At the end of the financial year the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe consolidated Group carries forward net assets of £6,020,195 (2023: £4,614,849). Listed investments plus cash and bank deposits totalled £3,595,362 (2023: £4,684,486) at the financial year end, comfortably sufficient to meet the Group's short-term obligations to creditors.

Operations

SPE Europe conducts its trading activities through its two trading subsidiaries, SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited. During the year ended 31 March 2024, SPE Ventures Limited made an operating loss of £104,569 (2023: loss of £197,776). The company's main operations relate to the staging of conferences, workshops and training courses for professionals who are employed in the oil and gas industry. During the year ended 31 March 2024, SPE Trading Limited made an operating gain of £2,353,839 (2023: gain of £167,708). The company's main operations relate to the staging of joint venture conferences for professionals who are employed in the oil and gas industry.

The principal source of funding during the year continues to be income from conferences and workshops. In FY24, every effort has been made to keep costs as low as possible to ensure that events are not only relevant to the membership but also affordable. Local advice and recommendations continue to drive the programmes being produced in the emerging regions where events can act as a shop window on the Society and support our growth initiatives in these areas.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Highlights of this year's event programme are as follows:

EuropEC, traditionally held in conjunction with the EAGE Annual, is known for its well-organized nature. This time EuropEC has also successfully fulfilled its contractual commitment by developing and delivering a strong quality technical program benefiting from superb abstract submissions (250 abstracts vs. 202 last year). A total of 14 technical sessions featuring 96 presentations were conducted, including four joint sessions with EAGE and two e-poster sessions.

The SPE program witnessed a strong attendance throughout, and the inclusion of new sessions focusing on CCS and Hydrogen greatly contributed to its vibrancy. While EAGE has yet to provide comprehensive event statistics, it is anticipated that there has been some growth in the exhibition and overall attendance compared to the previous year.

At the same time, we are extremely pleased that the number of 'SPE only' attendees almost doubled, from 100 last year to 183 today.

The first face-to-face SPE Offshore Europe in four years (organized in a partnership with RX, formerly Reed Exhibitions) celebrated the 50th anniversary edition at P&J Live, Aberdeen from 5-8 September and attracted 714 exhibitors and almost 30,000 attendees.

The conference organized by SPE was titled 'Securing sustainable and equitable energy for the next 50 years and beyond' was developed by the diverse Executive Committee and three Program Committees. Over the four days 12 panel sessions and 18 technical sessions featuring 116 papers were presented by 66 companies from 22 countries.

The largest ever program of energy sustainability, security and affordability topics was presented alongside talent investment and diversity events (TIDE) for the next generation of energy workforce. Hydrogen, offshore wind, CCS and other net zero technologies that will deliver lower carbon energy production in the decades ahead played a more prominent role than ever alongside a forward-looking oil and gas program.

The exhibition spanned more than 12,000 sqm net and welcomed 249 new exhibitors. 150 exhibitors were flagged as Energy Transition/Net Zero focused. It also included six show floor theatres: Energy Transition, Offshore Wind Hub, Hydrogen Hub, Future Talent Hub, Future Opportunities (with Decom Mission/BV) and Collaboration Zone.

The first face-to-face SPE Caspian Technical Conference and Exhibition in Azerbaijan in four years, organized in association with the Azerbaijan Society of Petroleum Geologists and hosted by the national oil company SOCAR, marked its 10th anniversary. It drew a record number of registered delegates, totaling 484 individuals representing 97 companies from 25 countries.

This event was a pivotal moment in CTC's transformation into a pan-regional success story. With major sponsors from Kazakhstan such as Tengizchevroil (TCO) and Chevron, and the presence of C-level executives from Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan, and the UAE, it underscored the growing regional significance and engagement across key industry players. This sets the stage for a more inclusive and impactful conference in the future.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Titled 'Caspian Rising: Collaborative Solutions to the Energy Trilemma,' the conference was crafted by a diverse Executive Committee. It commenced with an opening session featuring a moderated plenary debate. Over three days, there were five panel sessions and 22 technical sessions that showcased 170 papers from 64 companies across 25 countries. Simultaneously, a student development summit, attended by students from Azerbaijan and Kazakhstan, ran alongside the conference for all three days.

The conference was further enriched by a small exhibition, consisting of seven companies, which attracted high attendance and very positive feedback.

Plans for Future Periods

The key elements of the Charity's medium to long-term strategy are:

- Capability Development
- Knowledge Transfer
- Promoting Professional and Social Responsibility
- Public Education about the Petroleum Engineering profession and industry issues

SPE's programmes all strive to meet these strategic priorities fitting with the overall mission.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also Directors of Society of Petroleum Engineers (Europe) Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable Company and the Group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable Company and the Group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable Company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable Company's transactions, disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and the provisions of the charity's constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and the Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Insofar as each of the trustees of the charity at the date of approval of this report is aware there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the charity's auditor in connection with preparing the audit report) of which the charity's auditor is unaware. Each trustee has taken all of the steps that he/she should have taken as a trustee in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditor is aware of that information.

The Report of the Trustees, which includes the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report required by company law (included therein), was approved by the Board and signed on their behalf by:

Steven Byrne

Steven Byrne

Trustee

27 September 2024

Independent auditor's report
For the year ended 31 March 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS EUROPE LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited (the 'parent charitable company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Consolidated and Company Balance Sheets, the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group and parent charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group's or parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Independent auditor's report (continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2024

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Trustees' Report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Trustees' Report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' Report, which includes the Directors' Report and the Strategic Report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Directors' Report and the Strategic Report included within the Trustees' Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent charitable company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' Report or the Strategic Report included within the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent charitable company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent charitable company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or

Independent auditor's report (continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2024

- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' responsibilities set out on page 14, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the group's and parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the group or parent charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. The objectives of our audit are to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding compliance with laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, to perform audit procedures to help identify instances of non-compliance with other laws and regulations that may have a material effect on the financial statements, and to respond appropriately to identified or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations identified during the audit.

In relation to fraud, the objectives of our audit are to identify and assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud, to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud through designing and implementing appropriate responses and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit.

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For the year ended 31 March 2024

However, it is the primary responsibility of management, with the oversight of those charged with governance, to ensure that the entity's operations are conducted in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and for the prevention and detection of fraud.

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud, the group audit engagement team:

- obtained an understanding of the nature of the sector, including the legal and regulatory framework that the group and parent charitable company operates in and how the group and parent charitable company are complying with the legal and regulatory framework;
- inquired of management, and those charged with governance, about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities, including any known actual, suspected or alleged instances of fraud;
- discussed matters about non-compliance with laws and regulations and how fraud might occur including assessment of how and where the financial statements may be susceptible to fraud.

As a result of these procedures we consider the most significant laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements are FRS 102, Charities SORP (FRS 102), Companies Act 2006, Charities Act 2011, the parent charitable company's governing document and Charities (Protection and Social Investment) Act 2016. We performed audit procedures to detect non-compliances which may have a material impact on the financial statements which included reviewing the financial statements including the Trustees' Report, remaining alert to new or unusual transactions which may not be in accordance with the governing documents and evaluating advice received from internal/external advisors.

The most significant laws and regulations that have an indirect impact on the financial statements are those in relation to data protection. We performed audit procedures to inquire of management whether the group is in compliance with these law and regulations.

The group audit engagement team identified the risk of management override of controls and revenue recognition as the areas where the financial statements were most susceptible to material misstatement due to fraud.

Audit procedures performed included but were not limited to testing manual journal entries and other adjustments and evaluating the business rationale in relation to significant, unusual transactions and transactions entered into outside the normal course of business and challenging judgments and estimates and testing income through tests of detail, including testing post year end receipts.

Independent auditor's report (continued)

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A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

RSM UK Audit LLP

NICHOLAS SLADDEN (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of RSM UK AUDIT LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants

25 Farringdon Street

London

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Date: 1 October 2024

Consolidated statement of financial activities

(Incorporating an income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Income from			
Charitable activities	2	701,708	2,364,735
Income from joint ventures	7	2,527,873	-
Investment income – Bank interest, dividends and interest		19	41
Total		3,229,600	2,364,776
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds			
Investment management costs		-	1,400
Management fee		59,171	103,619
Charitable activities	4	2,126,916	2,854,952
Total		2,186,087	2,959,971
Gain/(Loss) on investments		380,928	(309,721)
Net Income/(Expenditure)		1,424,441	(904,916)
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		4,613,849	5,518,765
Total funds carried forward		6,038,290	4,613,849

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Consolidated balance sheet

At 31 March 2024

Registered number: 2778741

	Notes	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £	2023 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		116,369		142,520
Fixed asset investments	10		<u>3,253,706</u>		<u>4,122,778</u>
			3,370,075		4,265,298
Current assets					
Debtors	11	3,246,568		592,080	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>341,656</u>		<u>561,708</u>	
		3,588,224		1,153,788	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(919,009)</u>		<u>(804,237)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>2,669,215</u>		<u>349,551</u>
Net assets			<u><u>6,039,290</u></u>		<u><u>4,614,849</u></u>
Capital and funds					
Called-up share capital	13		1,000		1,000
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>					
General fund	14		6,038,290		4,613,849
Designated fund	14		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
Total capital and funds			<u><u>6,039,290</u></u>		<u><u>4,614,849</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the board and authorised for issue on 27th September 2024.

Steven Byrne

Steven Byrne

Trustee

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Company balance sheet
for the year ended 31 March 2024
Registered number: 2778741

		2024	2023
	Notes	£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	116,369	142,520
Investments	10	3,253,706	4,122,782
		<u>3,370,075</u>	<u>4,265,302</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	11	2,835,036	2,350,470
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>304,686</u>	<u>153,087</u>
		3,139,722	2,503,557
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(859,204)</u>	<u>(294,433)</u>
Net current assets		<u>2,280,518</u>	<u>2,209,124</u>
Net assets		<u><u>5,650,597</u></u>	<u><u>6,474,426</u></u>
Capital and funds			
Called-up equity share capital	13	1,000	1,000
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>			
General fund	14	5,649,597	6,473,426
Designated fund	14	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total capital and funds		<u><u>5,650,597</u></u>	<u><u>6,474,426</u></u>

No separate statement of financial activities is presented for Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited as provided by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006. The loss for the year for Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited for Companies Act 2006 purposes was £823,829 (2023: loss £808,697).

The financial statements were approved by the board and authorised for issue on 27th September 2024.

Steven Byrne

Steven Byrne

Trustee

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

Consolidated cash flow statement

for the year ended 31 March 2024

Registered number: 2778741

	Notes	2024	2023
		£	£
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net cash used in operating activities	(a)	(1,470,052)	(882,087)
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Dividends		-	(1,400)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		-	-
Proceeds from sale of investments		1,250,000	750,000
Purchase of investments		-	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		1,250,000	748,600
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(220,052)	(133,487)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		561,708	695,195
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		341,656	561,708

Note (a) – Reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities

	2024	2023
	£	£
Net expenditure for the reporting period	1,424,441	(904,916)
Net cash used in operating activities		
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	26,151	29,928
Revaluation of Assets	-	5,620
(Gains)/Losses on investments	(380,928)	311,121
Dividends, interest and rent from investments	-	1,400
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(2,654,488)	(97,067)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	114,773	(228,173)
Net cash used in operating activities	(1,470,052)	(882,087)
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents		
Cash in hand	341,656	561,708
Notice deposits (less than 3 months)	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	341,656	561,708

Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 31 March 2024

1. Accounting policies

A summary of the Group's principal accounting policies, all of which have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year, is set out below.

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice. The presentation currency of these financial statements is sterling and balances are rounded to the nearest whole £.

Society of Petroleum Engineers (Europe) Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

The individual entity accounts of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited have taken advantage of the disclosure exemption under FRS 102 to separately disclose categories of financial instruments and items of income, expenses, gains or losses relating to instruments as these have been presented on a Group basis in the notes to the accounts.

Income received in foreign currency is translated at the month end exchange rate to GBP. The Russian branch's functional currency is Rubles.

b) Going concern

As highlighted in the report of the Trustees, having assessed the Group's financial position, its plans for the foreseeable future and the risks to which it is exposed, the Trustees are satisfied that it remains appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The directors have reviewed the Group and Company's financial position, its plans for the foreseeable future and the risks to which it is exposed. Taking into account future cash flows for the Company and the group support that is available to the Group from the ultimate parent entity, SPE Inc., there is little risk that the Group will not be able to continue as a going concern. On the above basis, the directors remain satisfied that it continues to be appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The Group continues to expect challenges going forward as the industry is still in the recovery phase from the impact of the pandemic. The Group will continue to review planning progress for upcoming events and future events. The Group is continually managing its operating expenditures and reserves effectively to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

for the year ended 31 March 2024

c) Basis of consolidation

The Group financial statements consolidate the accounts of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited and all its subsidiary undertakings up to 31 March 2024. In the Company's accounts, investments in subsidiary undertakings are stated at cost, less amounts written off.

The Group financial statements incorporate joint ventures under the equity method of accounting, supplemented by additional disclosures for joint ventures.

The Group's results for the year are shown on page 22.

d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise general funds where monies are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and designated funds where monies are unrestricted, but they have been designated by the Trustees for a specific purpose.

e) Income

Investment income

Investment income relates to dividends and interest realised on investments and bank interest receivable. Investment income is accounted for on the accruals basis, other than dividend income, which is recognised on receipt.

Charitable activities

Income from charitable activities relates to conference income and represents amounts receivable (exclusive of VAT) from visitors to, and exhibitors at, petroleum conferences organised by the Group, together with donations from sponsor companies and other contributions. Conference and associated income is only recognised at the point at which the event is held and is deferred for events which occur in the next accounting period.

f) Expenditure

Raising Funds

Fundraising trading costs relate to management fees paid during the year. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

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for the year ended 31 March 2024

Investment management fee

These costs relate to fees charged by investment managers for managing the investment portfolio. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprise expenditure, including staff costs, directly attributable to the activity. Where costs cannot be directly attributed they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. These costs are accounted for on the accruals basis.

Governance costs

Governance costs relate to expenditure, including Board expenses, attributable to the costs of running the Board. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

Support Costs

Support costs are broken down into two difference categories, Support Costs-Management and Support Costs-Other. Support costs-Management covers Overhead expenses adjusted downward for management time for Due and Member Programs and Governance Costs. Support costs – Other covers Operating expenses plus Audit, Legal and Board Expenses.

g) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are shown at original historical cost. Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis on all tangible fixed assets at rates designed to write off costs, less estimated residual values, over their expected useful lives, as follows:

Computer equipment	- 3 to 5 years
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	- 5 to 10 years

h) Investments

Investments are stated at market value. Initial recognition of investments is at cost. It is the Group's policy to keep valuations up to date such that when investments are sold, there is no gain or loss arising. As a result, the Statement of Financial Activities includes those unrealised gains and losses arising from the revaluation of the investment portfolio throughout the year, and realised gains and losses of investments disposed during the year. Disclosure is made in note 10 of the difference between the historical cost and the sale proceeds of the investments sold during the year.

i) Joint ventures

An entity is treated as a joint venture where the Group holds a long term interest and shares control under a contractual agreement.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

for the year ended 31 March 2024

In the Group accounts, interests in joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The consolidated statement of financial activities indicates the Group's share of the net interest in the joint ventures. In the consolidated balance sheet notes, amounts owing from the joint venture are disclosed.

j) Operating lease commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged on a straight line basis over the lease term.

k) Foreign currency

In the accounts of individual undertakings, transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded in GBP at actual exchange rates as of the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are reported at the rates of exchange prevailing at that date. Any gain or loss arising from a change in exchange rates subsequent to the date of the transaction is included as an exchange gain or loss in the statement of financial activities.

The results of overseas operations are translated at the average rate of exchange during the period. Balance sheet accounts are translated at the rate ruling at the balance sheet date.

l) Financial instruments

The Group has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Financial assets held at amortised cost comprise cash and bank and in hand, together with trade and other debtors. Financial liabilities held at amortised cost comprise bank loans and overdrafts, trade, other creditors and accruals.

Investments, including bonds held as part of an investment portfolio are held at fair value at the Balance Sheet date, with gains and losses being recognised within income and expenditure. Investments in subsidiary undertakings are held at cost less impairment.

m) Pension costs

The Group provides pensions to all employees through a funded defined contribution scheme. The amount expended in the statement of financial activities is the contributions payable in the year.

n) Company information

The charity is a private limited company, registered by shares (registered number 2778741), which is incorporated and domiciled in the England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Fourth Floor West, America House, 2 America Square, London EC3N 2LU.

o) Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, which are described in note 1, Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent

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for the year ended 31 March 2024

from other sources. The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects the current and future periods.

In the view of the Trustees, no assumptions concerning the future or estimation uncertainty affecting assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date are likely to result in a material adjustment to their carrying amounts in the next financial year.

2. Income from charitable activities

	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£
Conference income	3,229,581	1,774,915
Contribution income	-	589,820
Total Income	3,229,581	2,364,735

The geographic split of the turnover is as follows:

Geographic Region	2024	2023
	£	£
UK	2,622,687	99,958
Europe	221,425	1,361,787
Caspian	385,469	313,170
Russia	-	589,820
	3,229,581	2,364,735

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

for the year ended 31 March 2024

3. Net expenditure for the year

Net expenditure for the year is stated after charging:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Staff costs (see note 6)	1,096,723	1,061,019
Depreciation	26,151	29,928
Rent	195,022	126,615
Auditor's remuneration	64,495	59,675
Non-audit services (tax compliance)	8,250	8,250
	<u>1,390,641</u>	<u>1,285,487</u>

4. Expenditure in respect of charitable activities

Activity	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs management	Support costs other	Total 2024
Conferences Members' Programmes	388,591	1,181,438	511,653	2,081,682
	-	20,306	-	20,306
	<u>388,591</u>	<u>1,201,744</u>	<u>511,653</u>	<u>2,101,988</u>

Activity	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs management	Support costs other	Total 2023
Conferences Members' Programmes	909,680	764,074	665,781	2,339,535
	-	449,266	-	449,266
	<u>909,680</u>	<u>1,213,340</u>	<u>665,781</u>	<u>2,788,801</u>

Support costs are analysed as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Support costs:		
Staff costs	1,096,388	1,096,760
Other operating expenses	57,843	116,581
Governance costs	105,267	87,279
Administration costs	453,899	578,501
	<u>1,713,397</u>	<u>1,879,121</u>

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5. Governance costs

Governance costs are stated in respect of:

	2024	2023
	£	£
External audit and taxation services	72,745	67,925
Other financial services and consultancy	32,521	19,354
Management salaries	47,513	62,365
	<u>152,779</u>	<u>149,644</u>

6. Staff costs

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	960,626	875,221
Social security costs	94,741	129,329
Other pension costs (note 14c)	41,356	56,468
	<u>1,096,723</u>	<u>1,061,018</u>

Staff costs exclude the salaries for 8 individuals totalling £459,956 (2023: £756,528) who are employed by the Group but work primarily for Society of Petroleum Engineers Inc and whose time has been re-charged to that entity.

The average number of employees, including Directors (who are Trustees), employed by the Group during the year was:

	2024	2023
	Number	Number
Members programme	3	3
Conference organization	7	7
Support	3	3
Sales & Marketing	3	3
Management and administration	5	7
	<u>21</u>	<u>23</u>

The number of employees earning over £60,000 during the year, excluding pension contributions, was as follows:

	2024	2023
	Number	Number
Income band £100,000 - £ 109,999	1	1
Income band £90,000 - £ 99,999	0	-
Income band £70,000 - £ 79,999	1	-
Income band £60,000 - £ 69,999	1	1
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

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Pension contributions to money purchasing pension scheme in respect of the above employees during the year were £8,644 (2023: £5,598).

In addition to the Trustees, Key management personnel of the charity comprise the Human Resources Director, the Events Director for Europe, Caspian and Sub-Saharan Africa, the Senior Manager for Sales and Business Development and the Senior Finance Manager. The costs for the Human Resources Director is re-charged to Society of Petroleum Inc.

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £364,240 (2023: £584,318).

Trustees' remuneration

The following Trustees received the following remuneration as employees of SPE Europe and/or the parent entity SPE Inc during the year:

	Basic	Benefits	Total
John Joseph Healy	122,361	11,308	133,669
Niki Thomas	54,038	4,355	58,393
Grigory Zarayskiy	101,851	10,083	111,934
Total	278,250	25,746	303,996

None of the Trustees were remunerated for their services as Trustees. The Trustees expenses for the year amounted to £Nil (2023: £Nil).

7. Income from joint venture

The geographical analysis of the share of the Group's profits from the joint ventures is as follows:

	2024	2023
United Kingdom	2,527,873	-
	2,527,873	-

8. Taxation

Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited is a registered charity and is not subject to UK corporation tax on profits from its charitable activities. The subsidiaries are not charities and are therefore subject to corporation tax on their profits.

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9. Tangible fixed assets

	Computer equipment	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
Group and Company			
	£	£	£
Cost			
At beginning of year	222,101	487,622	709,723
At end of year	222,101	487,622	709,723
Depreciation			
At beginning of year	201,710	365,493	567,203
Charge for the year	6,962	19,189	26,151
At end of year	208,672	384,682	593,354
Net book value			
At 1 April 2023	20,391	122,129	142,520
At 31 March 2024	13,429	102,940	116,369

All of the Company's fixed assets are held for use on a continuing basis for the organisation of conferences.

10. Fixed asset investments

	Group		Company	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Listed investments	3,253,706	4,122,778	3,253,706	4,122,778
Subsidiary undertakings	-	-	4	4
	3,253,706	4,122,778	3,253,710	4,122,782

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The Group has a 50% interest in two joint ventures E&P Events LLP, registered in England and Wales, and Offshore Europe Partnership. The partnerships hold biennial conferences for petroleum engineers. Audited accounts are prepared for the Offshore Europe Partnership every two years. The last Offshore Europe Partnership conference was held during the year ending 31 December 2023. The next Offshore Europe Partnership conference will be held in September 2025.

The Group is entitled to draw the whole of its share of the profit of both Offshore Europe Partnership and E&P Events LLP. The Group has received, as part of its entitlement under the Offshore Europe Partnership agreement, an amount of £2,527,873 (2023: £43,849), and under the E&P Events LLP agreement, an amount of £Nil (2023: £Nil) in the year ending 31 March 2024.

The Group's aggregate interests in the joint ventures are as follows;

	2024	2023
	£	£
Turnover	2,582,434	-
Tangible fixed assets		
Current assets	2,582,434	56,845
Liabilities due within one year	(54,561)	(56,781)
Net assets	2,527,873	64

Included in incoming resources from charitable activities, in addition to conference programming income receivable, there are cost reimbursements, sponsorship and management fees from the two joint ventures amounting to £2,527,873 (2023 Nil).

Principal Group investments

The Company has two wholly-owned subsidiary undertakings at the year end: SPE Trading Limited and SPE Ventures Limited, both of which are registered in England and Wales (see note 16).

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10. Fixed asset investments

Listed investments

	2024 £	2023 £
Market value as at beginning of year	4,122,778	5,183,899
Disposal proceeds	(1,250,000)	(750,000)
Net investment gain/(loss) in year	<u>380,928</u>	<u>(311,121)</u>
Market value at end of year	<u>3,253,706</u>	<u>4,122,778</u>
Historical cost at end of year	<u>2,627,941</u>	<u>3,740,875</u>
Unrealised gain at end of year	<u>625,765</u>	<u>381,903</u>
Realised gain on historical cost basis	<u>137,066</u>	<u>65,141</u>

Listed investments comprise investments listed on the UK Stock Exchange.

11. Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Company	
	2024 £	2023 £	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	387,400	225,246	387,400	26,737
Amount owed by related entities	58,459	272,042	58,459	189,196
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	-	2,561	2,116,342	2,015,663
Other debtors	-	-	-	27,746
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>2,800,709</u>	<u>92,231</u>	<u>272,836</u>	<u>91,128</u>
	<u>3,246,568</u>	<u>592,080</u>	<u>2,835,037</u>	<u>2,350,470</u>

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12. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Company	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Trade Creditors	193,486	410,398	187,026	69,443
Amounts owed to related group entities	45,880	69,970	12,046	-
Amount owed to subsidiary undertakings	-	575	-	-
Taxation and social security	67,374	51,528	77,739	38,171
Other Creditors	-	-	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	612,269	271,766	582,393	186,819
	919,009	804,237	859,204	294,433

Deferred Income

Income deferred in the current year relates to advanced conference registrations, exhibition and sponsorship income for conferences taking place after 31 March 2024.

	Group	Company
	£	£
Balance as at 1 April 2023	38,745	38,745
Amount released to incoming resources	(38,745)	(38,745)
Amount deferred in year	285,412	285,412
Balance as at 31 March 2024	285,412	285,412

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13. Called-up equity share capital

	2024 £	2022 £
Group and Company <i>Allotted, called-up and fully-paid</i> 1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>

14. Reconciliation of movements in capital and funds

	Balance 1 April 2023	Income	Net gains/(losses) on investment	Expenditure	Balance 31 March 2024
2024					
Group	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	5,613,849	3,229,600	380,928	(2,186,087)	7,038,290
SPE Members Program fund	(1,000,000)	-	-	-	(1,000,000)
Total capital and funds	4,614,849	3,229,600	380,928	(2,186,087)	6,038,290

Company	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	6,473,426	829,518	380,928	(2,034,275)	5,649,597
Total capital and funds	6,474,426	829,518	380,928	(2,034,275)	5,650,597

	Balance 1 April 2022	Income	Net gains/(losses) on investment	Expenditure	Balance 31 March 2023
2023					
Group	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	6,518,765	2,364,776	(309,721)	(2,959,971)	5,613,849
SPE Members Program fund	(1,000,000)	-	-	-	(1,000,000)
Total capital and funds	5,519,765	2,364,776	(309,721)	(2,959,971)	4,614,849

Company	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	6,429,725	2,943,576	(309,721)	(2,590,154)	6,473,426
Total capital and funds	6,430,725	2,943,576	(309,721)	(2,590,154)	6,474,426

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The Members Programme fund comprises funds designated by the Trustees to support the Members Programme, both of which are administered by the Company in line with the funding programme set out in the 2023 strategic plan. The level of funding made available to these programmes will be reviewed annually by the Board.

Transfers represent the intercompany funds transfer between SPE Europe Limited and its subsidiaries, SPE Trading Limited and SPE Ventures Limited.

15. Guarantees and financial commitments

a. Capital commitments

At the end of the year, there were no capital commitments (2023: £Nil).

b. Lease commitments

At 31 March 2024 the Group and Company had aggregate minimum lease payment commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Operating leases for land and buildings, which expire:				
In less than one year	52,370	157,110	52,370	157,110
one to 5 years				
	-	52,370	-	52,370

c. Pension arrangements

The Group provides defined contribution pension schemes for all employees.

The amount charged to the statement of financial activities is the contributions payable in the year and amounted to £41,355 (2023: £56,468).

d. Contingent liabilities

As a partner in Offshore Europe Partnership and E & P Events LLP, SPE Trading Limited is jointly and severally liable, without limit, for the debts of the partnerships. In the event that either partnership fails to pay any debt for which it has primary liability or is unable to pay amounts due, creditors may look directly to SPE Trading Limited for settlement of their debts or obligations.

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16. Subsidiary undertakings

	SPE Ventures Limited	SPE Trading Limited
	£	£
Turnover	-	-
Income from joint venture	-	2,544,553
Costs	(104,569)	(191,714)
Net (Loss)/Gain	(104,569)	2,352,839
Interest receivable	-	-
(Loss)/Profit before tax	(104,569)	2,352,839
Tax charge	-	-
 (Loss)/Profit before tax	 (104,569)	 2,352,839
 Retained earnings at start of year	 (1,952,906)	 93,329
 Gift Aid payment	 -	 -
 Retained earnings at end of year	 (2,057,475)	 2,446,168
 Net (Liabilities)/Assets	 (2,057,473)	 2,446,170

The Company owns the whole of the issued ordinary share capital of SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited, both companies being registered in England (company no. 02538982 and 02365974) and sharing the same registered office as SPE Europe (see note 1).

The Group conducts its trading activities through its, SPE Europe Limited and SPE Trading Limited. These companies organise and hold workshops, training courses and conferences to further the aims of the charitable organisation. SPE Ventures Limited will be dissolved in the future once all debt obligations have been paid.

The value of the parent Company's investment in each of its subsidiary companies is £2. SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited are registered at the Company's offices at 4th Floor West, America House, 2 America Square, London EC3N 2LU.

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17. Ultimate parent undertaking

The ultimate parent company and controlling related party is Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Inc, registered at 222 Palisades Creek Drive, Richardson, Texas 75080 USA.

At year end, the Group had the following related party transactions and year end balances with Group entities:

	Transactions charged to related parties in the year £	Transactions charged from related parties in the year £	Receivable from related party at year end £	Payable to related party at year end £
2024				
SPE International	-	(26,310)	58,459	(33,834)
SPE Canada	-	-	-	-
SPE Foundation	-	-	-	-
SPE Middle East	-	(1,380)	-	(12,046)
SPE Asia Pacific	-	-	-	-
SPE sections and chapters	-	-	-	-
	-	(27,690)	58,459	(45,880)
2023				
SPE International	-	(32,543)	272,042	-
SPE Canada	-	-	-	-
SPE Foundation	-	-	-	-
SPE Middle East	704	(67,932)	1,511	(69,970)
SPE Asia Pacific	-	-	-	-
SPE sections and chapters	-	-	-	-
	704	(100,475)	273,553	(69,970)

18. Financial instruments

The charity held assets at fair value through income and expenditure of £3,253,706 (2023: £4,122,778). Movements in the year through the statement of financial activities comprised income of £Nil (2023: £Nil) and gain of £380,928 (2023: loss of £311,121).

19. Subsequent Events – The SPE Europe office in London was closed on 30 June 2024. SPE will retain eight employees in the United Kingdom supporting SPE global programs as well as continuing to Support Offshore Europe and other events in the Europe and Caspian regions. SPE plans to dissolve SPE Ventures Ltd within the next year.

SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS EUROPE LIMITED

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Accounts

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John Joseph Healy

Michelle Boyd

Laura Ioana Precupanu

Nicola Thomas (Appointed 20th December 2022)

Grigory Zarayskiy (Appointed 20th December 2022)

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Trustees' report

For the year ended 31 March 2023

The Trustees, who are also the Directors, present their report for the purposes of Company Law together with the consolidated financial statements and independent auditor's report for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Trustees and their Interests

The Trustees, who are also the Directors, who served during the year were as follows:

James Rawes (Resigned 11th November 2022)

John Joseph Healy

Michelle Boyd

Laura Ioana Precupanu

Nicola Thomas (Appointed 20th December 2022)

Grigory Zarayskiy (Appointed 20th December 2022)

The Trustees are appointed on the recommendation of the Board of Directors of the parent undertaking and the existing Trustees and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

Principal Officer and Company Secretary

John Joseph Healy – Human Resources Director and Company Secretary

Grigory Zarayskiy – Director, European and Caspian Events (Appointed 20th December 2022)

James Rawes – VP Sales, Marketing and Business Development (Retired 11th November 2022)

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited, company registration number: 2778741 and charity registration number: 1017482, is a Private company limited by shares, which was incorporated on 6 January 1993 and commenced trading on 1 March 1993. It is a subsidiary undertaking of Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Inc, tax identification number 75-2001539, a charitable company incorporated and operating in the USA. The objects of the Company are set out in its Memorandum and Articles of Association. In February 1993, the Company was registered as a charity, with the purpose of aiding the dissemination of petroleum engineering knowledge through a variety of programmes including publications, specialist meetings, scholarships and internet based services.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Appointment of Trustees

Trustees, Induction and Training

New Trustees are recruited from the Society's membership and are identified by peer review. A Trustee induction handbook is provided to new Trustees. This handbook is divided into four units, designed to (1) safeguard the values and mission of the organisation; (2) determine the strategy and structure of the organisation; (3) ensure the organisation operates in a responsible and accountable manner; and (4) ensure the effective functioning of the board. Trustees are provided with ongoing training and support as required to enable them to fulfil their duties effectively.

The Trustees of the board are not remunerated for the service that they provide to the Charity as Trustees of the board but where they fulfil other employment activities for the SPE group, they will receive remuneration from the Group. In such cases, remuneration is benchmarked against appropriate external data and reviewed by senior management, and if appropriate, the remuneration committee of SPE Inc on a regular basis.

Organisation

The SPE Inc Board is comprised of the SPE International officers. The SPE Inc Board is responsible for broad financial and operational oversight for the organisation.

Each regional board, including the Board of Trustees of the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited, is comprised of Directors selected at-large from within the region. Having at-large Directors serving on those boards gives a broad-based representation that enhances the decisions of those boards. The regional subsidiary boards have general fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the subsidiary operations.

In summary, the responsibilities of the various governing bodies are as follows:

- The SPE International Board is responsible for policy and programme development for the Society's worldwide activities.
- The SPE Inc Board has fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the entire organisation; and
- The regional subsidiary boards have fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the subsidiary operations.

The SPE Chief Executive Officer (CEO) together with the Chief Operations Officer (COO) manages the worldwide staff operations. Each subsidiary has an Events Director who oversees the regional operations. The Events Directors report to the Chief Operations Officer. The Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operations Officer work closely with the Society officers and each of the governing bodies in making decisions and setting direction. Generally, the SPE International Board sets strategic direction and establishes policies after consultation with staff. Additionally, staff consult with the appropriate governing body on major operational issues, but staff have responsibility for operational decisions and execution of board-approved programmes.

Strategic Report

Objectives and Activities

The objectives and principal activities of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited continue to be in line with the vision of SPE International, which is to “enable the global oil and gas E&P industry to share technical knowledge needed to meet the world’s energy needs in a safe and environmentally responsible manner”, which guides the overall mission “to collect, disseminate, and exchange technical knowledge concerning the exploration, development and production of oil and gas resources, and related technologies for the public benefit; and to provide opportunities for professionals to enhance their technical and professional competence”.

The Group achieves its objectives through a variety of programmes including publications, technical meetings, scholarships, educational programmes, training courses and web based services.

Public Benefit

In planning our activities to meet our objectives our Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission’s general guidance on public benefit.

The Society believes that the key aspects of public benefit will be achieved by:

Development of the Exploration and Production (E&P) Industry workforce. SPE is the technical and professional home for those engaged in all aspects of the upstream oil and gas industry. All charitable activities focus on sharing of knowledge that keeps the E&P industry sustainable and are undertaken to further our charitable purpose to collect, disseminate, and exchange technical knowledge concerning the exploration, development and production of oil and gas resources, and related technologies for the public benefit.

By addressing technical challenges, as the largest upstream professional society, SPE provides a worldwide forum for sharing technology, knowledge and the latest solutions for overcoming the technical challenges of finding and producing more oil and natural gas. SPE also helps address critical issues of the future such as sustainability of energy supplies and carbon sequestration.

By preparing the next generation of energy professionals for careers in our industry, SPE’s programmes help by offering both professional and skill development through workshops, training courses, publications, Section activities and online mentoring.

By working with schools and universities to attract more young people to our profession with scholarships, our global energy multilingual education outreach programme, Energy4me, the SPE Ambassador programme and teacher workshops and education events aimed at students and school children.

By maintaining high professional standards by offering members continuing education options globally. SPE Petroleum Engineering Certification offers an international credential recognising petroleum engineering expertise.

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Distinguished Lecturer Programme

The Distinguished Lecturer Programme, available to Sections throughout the world, is one of the most popular SPE-administered programmes. This annual programme began in 1961 with three highly regarded "Distinguished Lecturers." Currently SPE sends 30 to 35 lecturers to 191 Sections providing three lectures per season, which averages 550 presentations per programme year.

The programme is a key component of SPE's technology dissemination mission. The programme is designed to provide Sections with outstanding, expert speakers for Section meetings. It also recognises the professional contributions of those selected as Distinguished Lecturers.

Every compliant SPE Section is now entitled to up to two Distinguished Lecturer presentations each year. The programme runs from September through June. Rising travel costs and the reduced number of flights to some of the more remote locations continue to provide challenges in scheduling lecturer visits as we add new Sections.

The Distinguished Lecturer Committee selects topics and individual lecturers each year. Each lecturer chosen by the Distinguished Lecturer Committee is an authority in his or her field and a competent public speaker. Potential lecturers are selected in May and finalised in September/October for the following programme year. The cost of this programme continues to grow annually due to increases in travel expenses worldwide. This trend is compounded by our increasing number of new Sections in remote locations, which adds to the airline and travel expenses required to send our lecturers there. Recognising the importance of the programme to the industry globally this is one of the programmes which SPE Europe funds.

Current Position and Future Strategy

The main objectives for the forthcoming year, as well as the Trustees' assessment of the Group's actual performance for this year, are set out below:

Technical Meetings

The Group conducts its trading activities through its two trading subsidiaries, SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited. These companies organise and hold workshops, training courses and conferences to further the aims of the charitable organisation.

The overall aim of the Group is to disseminate technical information through technical conferences and meetings:

In FY23, 12 events were held in Europe and the Caspian, which were attended by SPE professional members, students and non-members compared to just eight events (virtual and hybrid) held in pandemic FY22. This figure includes conferences, workshops and symposiums. The focus for FY23 was to return to the in-person format as soon as possible and in the most effective and efficient manner.

In FY24, SPE Europe will continue to expand its portfolio of events by both relaunching some of the events that were stopped because of the pandemic and launching new ones. Special focus is on boosting our presence in Caspian region and solidifying the SPE's role as a point of reference for the industry.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Educational Programmes

SPE continues to maintain and add information to the Society's online resources and educational publications and services.

OnePetro

OnePetro, a multi-society online library, contains over 160,000 technical papers from SPE as well as 18 other publishing partners. OnePetro is supported by subscriptions from academic and corporate institutions as well as individual paper sales. The technical resources available on OnePetro continue to grow with peer-reviewed journal articles as well as proceedings from conferences held worldwide being added monthly. The majority of papers are in the English language; however, there are also papers available in the Russian language.

Energy4Me

The Energy4me (e4me) programme to educate school aged children and their teachers and parents about the industry also continues to grow with materials now available in seven languages and used globally by schools. Regional websites allow easy access to SPE's information.

Training Courses

Training courses are still very much in the recovery phase and being hit again with budget constraints. There are a few training courses planned for in FY24.

Scholarships and Fellowships

5 Scholarships and Fellowships are continuing to be awarded each year which are operated by staff in the SPE London Office and award students around the world. This includes the SPE Foundation Gus Archie Scholarship (one winner receiving USD 5,000 for up to 4 years), SPE Foundation Nico van Wingen Graduate Fellowship (one winner receiving USD 5,000 for up to 4 years), Henry DeWitt Smith Memorial Fellowship (one winner single payment of USD 5,000) and the Imomoh Scholarship (four winners with a single payment of USD 2,000). In November 2019 applications also opened for a new Scholarship called the Donald G. Russell Scholarship which gives 2 recipients studying in the USA, a one time payment of USD 4,000 and the first payment went out in the summer of 2020.

From 2016, the Scholarships programme is administered by a coordinator in the London Office representing the Young Member Programs, prior to this it was managed by the Membership Team based in the Dallas Office with additional coordination for applications from regional office staff.

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Student Paper Contests

In 2019 14 regional contests continued to be run annually with the winners offered an expenses paid trip to compete internationally at the SPE Annual Meeting in October 2019, with other regional winners. Up to 42 winners (three per 14 regional contests). The winners are awarded funding to cover return flights, four nights' accommodation, event registration and VISA costs if required. Where possible these costs are paid for directly but in some situations, reimbursements are made directly to students who have already covered the costs themselves. Winners of this international competition are awarded a financial prize of USD 1,000 utilizing sponsorship gained for the program. This is processed by the Young Member Programs Team in the London Office.

Distinguished Lecture Programme

This programme, outlined above, remains a great success being extremely valued by the membership globally. SPE Europe will continue to fund this important programme.

Awards Programme

With awards presented at a regional and international level SPE members achieve recognition amongst their peers within the industry.

Certification Programme

Certification exams continue to be run to give a qualification for those who choose to study hard for and take this multidisciplinary open book exam. High value is placed by the industry on those who can claim achievement of this qualification.

Sections

Sections are located around the world and provide an operating framework for all major society activities. Sections are semi-autonomous units and self-governing within the framework of SPE policies. Section members elect officers and directors annually. Sections are organized into regions, and each region has representation on the SPE Board of Directors.

This structure allows for members based geographically close to each other the opportunity to network with other members through meetings and events at a local level. Some Sections are larger and some more active than others. In FY23 we saw the establishment of a new Section in this region in Kyiv, Ukraine. In FY23 new Sections will continue to be established as the membership continues to grow across the regions.

Student Chapters

Student Chapters are all affiliated with an academic establishment offering a relevant degree program related to the energy industry. In FY23 there were two new Student Chapters established within our Region. The universities were based in Turkey and Ukraine. In the coming year, new Chapters will continue to be established allowing SPE to continue the connection between students and our professional membership to secure the future of the industry workforce. There continues to be a strong growth in Student Chapters.

SPE Europe will continue to work in the year ahead to identify programmes and projects that meet our mission. The Trustees review new programmes regularly, which they can support and new projects are regularly assessed for their value.

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Achievements and Performance

All of SPE's initiatives and activities are directed and organised by its members, with staff support. All such initiatives and activities are regularly reviewed and assessed by the membership, by use of membership and non-membership surveys. In addition, rigorous Key Performance Indicators set by the SPE Board of Directors regularly review and measure performance in all areas of the Society's work, including Publications and Periodicals, Technical Meetings and Conferences, Audit and Administration, Internet-Based Services and Member Services.

Risk Management

The Trustees have continued their overview during the year to examine the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces. Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe and its related entities face multiple risks. These various risks are normal and customary as they relate to Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe's business. In addition to management's assessment of these risks, SPE's internal audit function has been actively auditing SPE's operations in London for over five years as well as more recently in Moscow. Throughout this timeframe, internal audit has observed, and reports that, the risks listed below are effectively managed in accordance with standard SPE and industry practices.

Strategic Risks (External)

- Political unrest – political issues/changes, e.g. Russia, Middle East, Africa
- Economic environment – 'Great Recession', banking issues, stagnant economic growth
- Social activism – oil spill(s), public perception/image of oil industry
- Cultural factors – diversity of religion(s), migration, aging of customer base

Business Operating and Financial Risks (Internal)

- Processes – support SPE's mission; membership growth, event management
- Personnel – hiring, retention/attrition, training, growth
- Compliance – FCPA, UK Bribery Act, Charity Commission for England and Wales, Data Protection and privacy laws
- Sanctions – observing legal restrictions applicable to designated countries
- Traditional financial risks – addressed by the internal audit department; risk assessment, audit planning, systems and processes, evaluation of internal control(s) design, substantive testing of all major classes and categories of financial transactions, fraud awareness

Trustees' report (continued)

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External risks

SPE Europe's management has remained aware of external risks and has taken measures, such as cancelling, moving and rescheduling events that might present security or safety risks to attendees, sponsors and staff. There are no examples where any known significant risk was ignored.

The current situation with Russia and Ukraine has had a major effect on the ability to run events in the Russia region. SPE has suspended all events in Russia as of March 2022 and has now liquidated the Russian branch since July 2023.

Internal risks

SPE Europe's management has identified and improved its primary business processes consistently over time. Personnel levels are expanded or reduced as necessary and properly trained. Management has taken steps to ensure compliance with all applicable regulations promulgated by the governing bodies such as the Charity Commission for England and Wales and has acted proactively to ensure compliance with current regulations. Management has complied with all legal sanctions imposed by all governments involved. Financial risks have been assessed and evaluated by SPE's Internal Audit department. Management has responded positively to recommendations made by Internal Audit.

Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Trustees constantly monitor the risks and uncertainties facing the Group with particular reference to the exposure on price, exchange rates, credit, liquidity and cash flow risks. Management has procedures in place whereby forward contracts may be used to hedge against foreign exchange risks and credit control procedures are tightly monitored in order to minimise liquidity and cash flow risks. They are confident that there are suitable policies in place and there are no material risks and uncertainties which have not been considered.

Reserves policy

The SPE Europe board regularly reviews the financial position and performance of the charity and its trading subsidiaries and is confident that, despite the current global downturn in oil prices, the organisation has sufficient resources to continue trading as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

The primary purpose of the Reserve Fund (the Fund) for the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe (SPEU) and the aim of the Trustees' reserves policy is to make available a source of revenues to be used by SPEU or other subsidiaries of SPE Inc to:

- ensure the continuation of normal business activities should SPEU's operating revenues be insufficient to meet expenses during a period of sustained economic distress;
- provide risk funds for the development of member service programmes as approved by the SPE Inc Board of Directors; and

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- accommodate minor annual operating surpluses and deficits that may occur from time to time.

The corpus of the SPEU Reserve Fund shall be determined by the total resources expended as reported in the SPEU annual consolidated financial statement, as approved by the SPEU Board of Directors, averaged over a two-year period. Funds in the amount of one-half (6 months) the annual total resources expended should be accumulated for use in future capital expenditures and new ventures. Any amount over the target level for the Reserve Fund balance can be used for any purpose consistent with the Society's charitable status and objects and as approved by the SPEU Board of Directors.

SPE International has instituted an Advantage Programme which allocated 4% of its global reserve funds towards new initiatives, including Public Energy Education, Dedicated Programmes for the Young, complimentary Meeting Attendance for Academics and Additional Distinguished Lecturer Visits to Local Sections.

	2023	2022	2021
Unrestricted funds	5,680,000	5,520,290	7,694,188
Less: Tangible fixed assets	(142,520)	(178,067)	(211,823)
Level of reserves available for purpose consistent with the Society's charitable status	5,537,480	5,342,223	7,482,365

In line with our reserves policy, the target amount for the SPEU reserves fund for the financial year ending 31 March 2023 is calculated to be equivalent to £4m (2022: £2.1m). When compared to the target reserve fund balance of £4m, a surplus of £1.5m (2022: £3.2m) remains in the level of reserves available for charitable purposes.

Investment Policy and Performance

The charity's policy is to invest in funds whose risk profile is considered to be low to moderate. The aim is to achieve over a period of several years better returns than those achieved by funds with a similar risk profile. The charity's portfolio has not performed well for the financial year ending 31 March 2023 giving the charity a loss of £309k (2022: Gain of £348k).

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For the year ended 31 March 2023

Financial Review

Details of the results of activity of the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe itself are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities.

During the year the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe consolidated Group had incoming resources from charitable activities of £2.4m (2022: £675k) and investment losses of £309k (2022: Gain of £348k), the Group has expended resources of £2.9m (2022: £3.2m). Taken together with loss on investment assets, there was a loss for the year of £839k (2022: Loss of £2.2m). The reason for the loss for FY23 is the ongoing impact of COVID-19 and the ability to hold in person events. All Russian activity ceased due to the war between Russia and Ukraine.

This year the Group's income receivable from the joint ventures amounted to Nil (2022: £44k). The partnership with Reed Exhibitions continues to be of critical importance both to SPE Europe and to SPEI's ability to deliver membership programmes such as the Distinguished Lecturer Programme.

At the end of the financial year the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe consolidated Group carries forward net assets of £4,614,849 (2022: £5,519,765). Listed investments plus cash and bank deposits totalled £4,684,486 (2022: £5,879,094) at the financial year end, comfortably sufficient to meet the Group's short-term obligations to creditors.

Operations

SPE Europe conducts its trading activities through its two trading subsidiaries, SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited. During the year ended 31 March 2023, SPE Ventures Limited made an operating loss of £197,776 (2022: loss of £1,285,370). The company's main operations relate to the staging of conferences, workshops and training courses for professionals who are employed in the oil and gas industry. During the year ended 31 March 2023, SPE Trading Limited made an operating gain of £167,708 (2022: loss of £74,379). The company's main operations relate to the staging of joint venture conferences for professionals who are employed in the oil and gas industry.

The principal source of funding during the year continues to be income from conferences and workshops. In FY23, every effort has been made to keep costs as low as possible to ensure that events are not only relevant to the membership but also affordable. Local advice and recommendations continue to drive the programmes being produced in the emerging regions where events can act as a shop window on the Society and support our growth initiatives in these areas.

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Highlights of this year's event programme are as follows:

SPE Annual Caspian Technical Conference (CTC)

In November 2022, the annual conference was held in Astana, Kazakhstan. It was the first in-person event since pandemic which signified SPE's pro-active return to the Caspian region. The conference was endorsed and supported by all major players - Kazakhstan's KMG (KazMunayGas) as Host Organisation plus ExxonMobil, Shell, NCOC, TCO, KPO, TotalEnergies and other international oil and gas operators and service companies active in the Caspian region as major sponsoring partners.

Over the course of three days, the event featured 3 keynote panel sessions, 15 technical sessions where more than seventy technical papers were presented, poster sessions and the Student Development Summit.

The conference was attended by more than 300 delegates which was on par with pre-pandemic levels.

IADC/SPE International Drilling Conference and Exhibition

A three-day conference and exhibition organized in partnership with IADC (International Association of Drilling Contractors) was held in Stavanger, Norway in March 2023 with Equinor being the Host Organization. A conference of such size has a number of satellite events, one of them being SPE DSATS/IADC ART Symposium which focused on the automation of drilling rigs and well construction. Exhibition held alongside attracted 50 exhibitors.

More than 800 delegates (the number has exceeded the last pre-pandemic event) had a choice of almost thirty technical sessions where professionals from 14 countries presented almost 130 high quality papers.

Plans for Future Periods

The key elements of the Charity's medium to long-term strategy are:

- Capability Development
- Knowledge Transfer
- Promoting Professional and Social Responsibility
- Public Education about the Petroleum Engineering profession and industry issues

SPE's programmes all strive to meet these strategic priorities fitting with the overall mission.

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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also Directors of Society of Petroleum Engineers (Europe) Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable Company and the Group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable Company and the Group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable Company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable Company's transactions, disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and the provisions of the charity's constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and the Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Insofar as each of the trustees of the charity at the date of approval of this report is aware there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the charity's auditor in connection with preparing the audit report) of which the charity's auditor is unaware. Each trustee has taken all of the steps that he/she should have taken as a trustee in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditor is aware of that information.

The Report of the Trustees, which includes the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report required by company law (included therein), was approved by the Board and signed on their behalf by:

Grigory Zarayskiy

Trustee

11 September 2023



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Independent auditor's report
For the year ended 31 March 2023

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS EUROPE LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited (the 'parent charitable company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Consolidated and Company Balance Sheets, the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group and parent charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group's or parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Trustees' Report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Trustees' Report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' Report, which includes the Directors' Report and the Strategic Report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Directors' Report and the Strategic Report included within the Trustees' Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent charitable company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' Report or the Strategic Report included within the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent charitable company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent charitable company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or

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- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' responsibilities set out on page 14, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the group's and parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the group or parent charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. The objectives of our audit are to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding compliance with laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, to perform audit procedures to help identify instances of non-compliance with other laws and regulations that may have a material effect on the financial statements, and to respond appropriately to identified or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations identified during the audit.

In relation to fraud, the objectives of our audit are to identify and assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud, to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud through designing and implementing appropriate responses and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit.

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However, it is the primary responsibility of management, with the oversight of those charged with governance, to ensure that the entity's operations are conducted in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and for the prevention and detection of fraud.

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud, the group audit engagement team:

- obtained an understanding of the nature of the sector, including the legal and regulatory framework that the group and parent charitable company operates in and how the group and parent charitable company are complying with the legal and regulatory framework;
- inquired of management, and those charged with governance, about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities, including any known actual, suspected or alleged instances of fraud;
- discussed matters about non-compliance with laws and regulations and how fraud might occur including assessment of how and where the financial statements may be susceptible to fraud.

As a result of these procedures we consider the most significant laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements are FRS 102, Charities SORP (FRS 102), Companies Act 2006, Charities Act 2011, the parent charitable company's governing document and Charities (Protection and Social Investment) Act 2016. We performed audit procedures to detect non-compliances which may have a material impact on the financial statements which included reviewing the financial statements including the Trustees' Report, remaining alert to new or unusual transactions which may not be in accordance with the governing documents and evaluating advice received from internal/external advisors.

The most significant laws and regulations that have an indirect impact on the financial statements are those in relation to data protection. We performed audit procedures to inquire of management whether the group is in compliance with these law and regulations.

The group audit engagement team identified the risk of management override of controls as the area where the financial statements were most susceptible to material misstatement due to fraud. Audit procedures performed included but were not limited to testing manual journal entries and other adjustments, evaluating the business rationale in relation to significant, unusual transactions and transactions entered into outside the normal course of business and challenging judgments and estimates.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

Independent auditor's report (continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2023

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

RSM UK Audit LLP

NICHOLAS SLADDEN (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of RSM UK AUDIT LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants

25 Farringdon Street

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Date. 2 October 2023

Consolidated statement of financial activities
(Incorporating an income and expenditure account)
For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Income from			
Charitable activities	2	2,364,735	631,203
Income from joint ventures	7	-	43,849
Investment income – Bank interest, dividends and interest		41	19
Total		2,364,776	675,071
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds			
Investment management costs		1,400	5,931
Management fee		103,619	70,121
Charitable activities	4	2,854,952	3,122,456
Total		2,959,971	3,198,508
(Loss)/Gain on investments		(309,721)	348,014
Net Expenditure		(904,916)	(2,175,423)
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		5,518,765	7,694,188
Total funds carried forward		4,613,849	5,518,765

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Consolidated balance sheet
for the year ended 31 March 2023
Registered number: 2778741

	Notes	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £	2022 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		142,520		178,067
Fixed asset investments	10		<u>4,122,778</u>		<u>5,183,899</u>
			4,265,298		5,361,966
Current assets					
Debtors	11	592,080		495,014	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>561,708</u>		<u>695,195</u>	
		1,153,788		1,190,209	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(804,237)</u>		<u>(1,032,410)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>349,551</u>		<u>157,799</u>
Net assets			<u><u>4,614,849</u></u>		<u><u>5,519,765</u></u>
Capital and funds					
Called-up share capital	13		1,000		1,000
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>					
General fund	14		4,613,849		5,518,765
Designated fund	14		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
Total capital and funds			<u><u>4,614,849</u></u>		<u><u>5,519,765</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the board and authorised for issue on 11th September 2023.

Grigory Zarayskiy
Trustee



The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Company balance sheet
for the year ended 31 March 2023
Registered number: 2778741

		2023	2022
	Notes	£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	142,520	178,067
Investments	10	4,122,782	5,183,903
		<u>4,265,302</u>	<u>5,361,970</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	11	2,350,470	2,491,663
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>153,087</u>	<u>122,151</u>
		2,503,557	2,613,814
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(294,433)</u>	<u>(1,545,059)</u>
Net current assets		<u>2,209,124</u>	<u>1,068,755</u>
Net assets		<u><u>6,474,426</u></u>	<u><u>6,430,725</u></u>
Capital and funds			
Called-up equity share capital	13	1,000	1,000
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>			
General fund	14	6,473,426	6,429,725
Designated fund	14	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total capital and funds		<u><u>6,474,426</u></u>	<u><u>6,430,725</u></u>

No separate statement of financial activities is presented for Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited as provided by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006. The loss for the year for Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited for Companies Act 2006 purposes was £808,697 (2022: loss £1,734,236).

The financial statements were approved by the board and authorised for issue on 11th September 2023.

Grigory Zarayskiy

Trustee



The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

Consolidated cash flow statement

for the year ended 31 March 2023

Registered number: 2778741

	Notes	2023	2022
		£	£
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net cash used in operating activities	(a)	(882,087)	(2,352,102)
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Dividends		(1,400)	(5,931)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		-	(6,135)
Proceeds from sale of investments		750,000	1,001,603
Purchase of investments		-	(10,339)
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		748,600	979,198
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(133,487)	(1,372,904)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		695,195	2,068,099
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		561,708	695,195

Note (a) – Reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities

	2023	2022
	£	£
Net expenditure for the reporting period	(904,916)	(2,175,423)
Net cash used in operating activities		
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	29,928	29,230
Revaluation of Assets	5,620	10,662
(Gains)/Losses on investments	311,121	(342,083)
Dividends, interest and rent from investments	1,400	5,931
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(97,067)	(185,504)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(228,173)	305,086
Net cash used in operating activities	(882,087)	(2,352,102)
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents		
Cash in hand	561,708	695,195
Notice deposits (less than 3 months)	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	561,708	695,195

Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 31 March 2023

1. Accounting policies

A summary of the Group's principal accounting policies, all of which have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year, is set out below.

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

Society of Petroleum Engineers (Europe) Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

The individual entity accounts of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited have taken advantage of the disclosure exemption under FRS 102 to separately disclose categories of financial instruments and items of income, expenses, gains or losses relating to instruments as these have been presented on a Group basis in the notes to the accounts.

Income received in foreign currency is translated at the month end exchange rate to GBP. The Russian branch's functional currency is Rubles.

b) Going concern

As highlighted in the report of the Trustees, having assessed the Group's financial position, its plans for the foreseeable future and the risks to which it is exposed, the Trustees are satisfied that it remains appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The directors have reviewed the Group and Company's financial position, its plans for the foreseeable future and the risks to which it is exposed. Taking into account future cash flows for the Company and the group support that is available to the Company from the ultimate parent entity, SPE Inc., there is little risk that the Company will not be able to continue as a going concern. On the above basis, the directors remain satisfied that it continues to be appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The Company continues to expect challenges going forward as the industry is still in the recovery phase from the impact of the pandemic. The Company will continue to review planning progress for upcoming events and future events, such as offering hybrid events, which include both in-person and digital options. The Company is continually managing its operating expenditures and reserves effectively to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

for the year ended 31 March 2023

c) Basis of consolidation

The Group financial statements consolidate the accounts of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited and all its subsidiary undertakings up to 31 March 2023. In the Company's accounts, investments in subsidiary undertakings are stated at cost, less amounts written off.

The Group financial statements incorporate joint ventures under the equity method of accounting, supplemented by additional disclosures for joint ventures.

The Group's results for the year are shown on page 20.

d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise general funds where monies are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and designated funds where monies are unrestricted but they have been designated by the Trustees for a specific purpose.

e) Income

Investment income

Investment income relates to dividends and interest realised on investments and bank interest receivable. Investment income is accounted for on the accruals basis, other than dividend income, which is recognised on receipt.

Charitable activities

Income from charitable activities relates to conference income and represents amounts receivable (exclusive of VAT) from visitors to, and exhibitors at, petroleum conferences organised by the Group, together with donations from sponsor companies and other contributions. Conference and associated income is only recognised at the point at which the event is held and is deferred for events which occur in the next accounting period.

f) Expenditure

Raising Funds

Fundraising trading costs relate to management fees paid during the year. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

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Investment management fee

These costs relate to fees charged by investment managers for managing the investment portfolio. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprise expenditure, including staff costs, directly attributable to the activity. Where costs cannot be directly attributed they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. These costs are accounted for on the accruals basis.

Governance costs

Governance costs relate to expenditure, including Board expenses, attributable to the costs of running the Board. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

Support Costs

Support costs are broken down into two difference categories, Support Costs-Management and Support Costs-Other. Support costs-Management covers Overhead expenses adjusted downward for management time for Due and Member Programs and Governance Costs. Support costs – Other covers Operating expenses plus Audit, Legal and Board Expenses.

g) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are shown at original historical cost. Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis on all tangible fixed assets at rates designed to write off costs, less estimated residual values, over their expected useful lives, as follows:

Computer equipment	- 3 years
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	- 5 to 10 years

h) Investments

Investments are stated at market value. Initial recognition of investments is at cost. It is the Group's policy to keep valuations up to date such that when investments are sold, there is no gain or loss arising. As a result, the Statement of Financial Activities includes those unrealised gains and losses arising from the revaluation of the investment portfolio throughout the year, and realised gains and losses of investments disposed during the year. Disclosure is made in note 10 of the difference between the historical cost and the sale proceeds of the investments sold during the year.

i) Joint ventures

An entity is treated as a joint venture where the Group holds a long term interest and shares control under a contractual agreement.

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In the Group accounts, interests in joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The consolidated statement of financial activities indicates the Group's share of the net interest in the joint ventures. In the consolidated balance sheet notes, amounts owing from the joint venture are disclosed.

j) Operating lease commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged on a straight line basis over the lease term.

k) Foreign currency

In the accounts of individual undertakings, transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded in GBP at actual exchange rates as of the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are reported at the rates of exchange prevailing at that date. Any gain or loss arising from a change in exchange rates subsequent to the date of the transaction is included as an exchange gain or loss in the statement of financial activities.

The results of overseas operations are translated at the average rate of exchange during the period. Balance sheet accounts are translated at the rate ruling at the balance sheet date.

l) Financial instruments

The Group has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Financial assets held at amortised cost comprise cash and bank and in hand, together with trade and other debtors. Financial liabilities held at amortised cost comprise bank loans and overdrafts, trade, other creditors and accruals.

Investments, including bonds held as part of an investment portfolio are held at fair value at the Balance Sheet date, with gains and losses being recognised within income and expenditure. Investments in subsidiary undertakings are held at cost less impairment.

m) Pension costs

The Group provides pensions to all employees through a funded defined contribution scheme. The amount expended in the statement of financial activities is the contributions payable in the year.

n) Company information

The charity is a private limited company, registered by shares (registered number 2778741), which is incorporated and domiciled in the England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Fourth Floor West, America House, 2 America Square, London EC3N 2LU.

o) Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, which are described in note 1, Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent

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from other sources. The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects the current and future periods.

In the view of the Trustees, no assumptions concerning the future or estimation uncertainty affecting assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date are likely to result in a material adjustment to their carrying amounts in the next financial year.

2. Income from charitable activities

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Conference income	1,774,915	631,202
Contribution income	589,820	-
Total Income	2,364,735	631,202

The geographic split of the turnover is as follows:

Geographic Region	2023	2022
	£	£
UK	99,958	140,224
Europe	1,361,787	33,345
Caspian	313,170	278,353
Russia	589,820	177,320
Africa	-	1,960
	2,364,735	631,202

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3. Net expenditure for the year

Net expenditure for the year is stated after charging:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Staff costs (see note 6)	1,061,019	959,876
Depreciation	29,928	29,230
Rent	126,615	145,620
Auditor's remuneration	59,675	54,250
Non-audit services (tax compliance)	8,250	7,500
	1,285,487	1,196,476

4. Expenditure in respect of charitable activities

Activity	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs management	Support costs other	Total 2023
Conferences	909,680	764,074	665,781	2,339,535
Members' Programmes	-	449,266	-	449,266
	909,680	1,213,340	665,781	2,788,801

Activity	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs management	Support costs other	Total 2022
Conferences	362,879	698,573	685,751	1,747,203
Members' Programmes	1,000,000	375,253	-	1,375,253
	1,362,879	1,073,826	685,751	3,122,456

Support costs are analysed as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Support costs:		
Staff costs	1,096,760	1,002,764
Other operating expenses	116,581	58,203
Governance costs	87,279	85,804
Administration costs	578,501	611,281
	1,879,121	1,758,052

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5. Governance costs

Governance costs are stated in respect of:

	2023	2022
	£	£
External audit and taxation services	67,925	61,750
Other financial services and consultancy	19,354	11,195
Board expenses	-	-
Management salaries	62,365	12,859
	<u>149,644</u>	<u>85,804</u>

6. Staff costs

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	875,221	802,798
Social security costs	129,329	113,146
Other pension costs (note 14c)	56,468	43,931
	<u>1,061,018</u>	<u>959,876</u>

Staff costs exclude the salaries for 8 individuals totalling £756,528 (2022: £657,606) who are employed by the Group but work primarily for Society of Petroleum Engineers Inc and whose time has been re-charged to that entity.

The average number of employees, including Directors (who are Trustees), employed by the Group during the year was:

	2023	2022
	Number	Number
Members programme	3	4
Conference organisation	7	13
Support	3	3
Sales & Marketing	3	4
Management and administration	7	7
	<u>23</u>	<u>31</u>

The number of employees earning over £60,000 during the year, excluding pension contributions, was as follows:

	2023	2022
	Number	Number
Income band £100,000 - £ 109,999	1	1
Income band £60,000 - £ 69,999	1	1

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Pension contributions to money purchasing pension scheme in respect of the above employees during the year were £5,598 (2022: £8,886).

In addition to the Trustees, Key management personnel of the charity comprise the Human Resources Director, the Events Director for Europe, Caspian and Sub-Saharan Africa, the Senior Manager for Sales and Business Development, the VP Sales, Marketing and Business Development and the Senior Finance Manager. The costs for the Human Resources Director and the VP Sales, Marketing and Business Development are re-charged to Society of Petroleum Inc.

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £584,318 (2022: £539,087).

Trustees' remuneration

The following Trustees received the following remuneration as employees of SPE Europe and/or the parent entity SPE Inc during the year:

	Basic	Benefits	Total
James Rawes	225,672	6,242	231,914
John Joseph Healy	144,676	13,832	158,508
Grigory Zarayskiy	38,625	9,203	47,828
Total	408,973	29,277	438,250

None of the Trustees were remunerated for their services as Trustees. The Trustees expenses for the year amounted to £Nil (2021: £Nil).

7. Income from joint venture

The geographical analysis of the share of the Group's profits from the joint ventures is as follows:

	2023	2022
United Kingdom	-	43,849
	-	43,849

8. Taxation

Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited is a registered charity and is not subject to UK corporation tax on profits from its charitable activities. The subsidiaries are not charities and are therefore subject to corporation tax on their profits.

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9. Tangible fixed assets

	Computer equipment	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
Group and Company			
	£	£	£
Cost			
At beginning of year	222,101	493,241	715,342
Additions	-	-	-
Retirements		(5,619)	(5,619)
At end of year	222,101	487,622	709,723
Depreciation			
At beginning of year	190,980	346,295	537,275
Charge for the year	10,730	19,198	29,928
At end of year	201,710	365,493	567,203
Net book value			
At 1 April 2022	31,121	146,946	178,067
At 31 March 2023	20,391	122,129	142,520

All of the Company's fixed assets are held for use on a continuing basis for the organisation of conferences.

10. Fixed asset investments

	Group		Company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Listed investments	4,122,778	5,183,899	4,122,778	5,183,899
Subsidiary undertakings	-	-	4	4
	4,122,778	5,183,899	4,122,782	5,183,903

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The Group has a 50% interest in two joint ventures E&P Events LLP, registered in England and Wales, and Offshore Europe Partnership. The partnerships hold biennial conferences for petroleum engineers. Audited accounts are prepared for the Offshore Europe Partnership every two years. The last Offshore Europe Partnership conference was held virtually during the year ending 31 December 2021. The next Offshore Europe Partnership conference will be held in September 2023.

The Group is entitled to draw the whole of its share of the profit of both Offshore Europe Partnership and E&P Events LLP. The Group has received, as part of its entitlement under the Offshore Europe Partnership agreement, an amount of £Nil (2022: £43,849), and under the E&P Events LLP agreement, an amount of £Nil (2022: £Nil) in the year ending 31 March 2023.

The Group's aggregate interests in the joint ventures are as follows;

	2023	2022
	£	£
Turnover	-	-
Tangible fixed assets		
Current assets	56,845	52,931
Liabilities due within one year	(56,781)	(63,031)
Net assets	64	(10,100)

Included in incoming resources from charitable activities, in addition to conference programming income receivable, there are cost reimbursements, sponsorship and management fees from the two joint ventures amounting to £Nil (2022 £43,849).

Principal Group investments

The Company has two wholly-owned subsidiary undertakings at the year end: SPE Trading Limited and SPE Ventures Limited, both of which are registered in England and Wales (see note 16).

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10. Fixed asset investments (continued)

Listed investments

	2023 £	2022 £
Market value as at beginning of year	5,183,899	5,833,078
Additions	-	10,339
Disposal proceeds	(750,000)	(1,001,602)
Net investment (loss)/gain in year	(311,121)	342,084
Market value at end of year	4,122,778	5,183,899
Historical cost at end of year	3,740,875	4,425,733
Unrealised gain at end of year	381,903	758,165
Realised gain on historical cost basis	65,141	131,232

Listed investments comprise investments listed on the UK Stock Exchange.

11. Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Company	
	2023 £	2022 £	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	225,246	220,906	26,737	2,709
Amount owed by related entities	272,042	74,944	189,196	74,944
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	2,561	6,289	2,015,663	2,240,379
Other debtors	-	67,071	27,746	10,118
Prepayments and accrued income	92,231	125,804	91,128	163,513
	592,080	495,014	2,350,470	2,491,663

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12. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Trade Creditors	410,398	212,186	69,443	77,488
Amounts owed to related group entities	69,970	330,372	-	299,234
Amount owed to subsidiary undertakings	575	-	-	918,561
Taxation and social security	51,528	66,441	38,171	45,084
Other Creditors	-	-	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	271,766	423,411	186,819	204,692
	804,237	1,032,410	294,433	1,545,059

Deferred Income

Income deferred in the current year relates to advanced conference registrations, exhibition and sponsorship income for conferences taking place after 31 March 2023.

	Group	Company
	£	£
Balance as at 1 April 2022	195,424	-
Amount released to incoming resources	(195,424)	-
Amount deferred in year	38,745	-
Balance as at 31 March 2023	38,745	-

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13. Called-up equity share capital

	2023	2022
	£	£
Group and Company		
<i>Allotted, called-up and fully-paid</i>		
1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>

14. Reconciliation of movements in capital and funds

	Balance 1 April 2022	Income	Net losses on investment	Expenditure	Balance 31 March 2023
2023					
Group	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	6,518,765	2,364,776	(309,721)	(2,959,971)	5,613,849
SPE Members Program fund	(1,000,000)	-	-	-	(1,000,000)
Total capital and funds	<u>5,519,765</u>	<u>2,364,776</u>	<u>(309,721)</u>	<u>(2,959,971)</u>	<u>4,614,849</u>

Company	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	6,429,725	2,943,576	(309,721)	(2,590,154)	6,473,426
Total capital and funds	<u>6,430,725</u>	<u>2,943,576</u>	<u>(309,721)</u>	<u>(2,590,154)</u>	<u>6,474,426</u>

	Balance 1 April 2021	Income	Net gains on investment	Expenditure	Balance 31 March 2022
2022					
Group	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	7,694,188	675,070	348,014	(2,198,507)	6,518,765
SPE Members Program fund				(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Total capital and funds	<u>7,695,188</u>	<u>675,070</u>	<u>348,014</u>	<u>(3,198,507)</u>	<u>5,519,765</u>

Company	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	8,163,959	639,547	348,014	(2,721,795)	6,429,725
Total capital and funds	<u>8,164,959</u>	<u>639,547</u>	<u>348,014</u>	<u>(2,721,795)</u>	<u>6,430,725</u>

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The Members Programme fund comprises funds designated by the Trustees to support the Members Programme, both of which are administered by the Company in line with the funding programme set out in the 2017 strategic plan. The level of funding made available to these programmes will be reviewed annually by the Board.

Transfers represent the intercompany funds transfer between SPE Europe Limited and its subsidiaries, SPE Trading Limited and SPE Ventures Limited.

15. Guarantees and financial commitments

a. Capital commitments

At the end of the year, there were no capital commitments (2022: £Nil).

b. Lease commitments

At 31 March 2023 the Group and Company had aggregate minimum lease payment commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Operating leases for land and buildings, which expire:				
In less than one year	157,110	157,110	157,110	157,110
one to 5 years				
	<u>52,370</u>	<u>209,480</u>	<u>52,370</u>	<u>209,480</u>

c. Pension arrangements

The Group provides defined contribution pension schemes for all employees.

The amount charged to the statement of financial activities is the contributions payable in the year and amounted to £56,468 (2022: £43,931).

d. Contingent liabilities

As a partner in Offshore Europe Partnership and E & P Events LLP, SPE Trading Limited is jointly and severally liable, without limit, for the debts of the partnerships. In the event that either partnership fails to pay any debt for which it has primary liability or is unable to pay amounts due, creditors may look directly to SPE Trading Limited for settlement of their debts or obligations.

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16. Subsidiary undertakings

	SPE Ventures Limited	SPE Trading Limited
	£	£
Turnover	1,774,142	249,999
Income from joint venture	-	-
Costs	<u>(1,971,959)</u>	<u>(82,291)</u>
Net (Loss)/Gain	(197,817)	167,708
Interest receivable	<u>41</u>	<u>-</u>
(Loss)/Profit before tax	(197,776)	167,708
Tax charge	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
 (Loss)/Profit before tax	 <u>(197,776)</u>	 <u>167,708</u>
 Retained earnings at start of year	 <u>(1,755,130)</u>	 <u>-</u>
 Gift Aid payment	 <u>-</u>	 <u>-</u>
 Retained earnings at end of year	 <u>(1,952,906)</u>	 <u>167,708</u>
 Net (Liabilities)/Assets	 <u>(197,776)</u>	 <u>167,708</u>

The Company owns the whole of the issued ordinary share capital of SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited, both companies being registered in England (company no. 02538982 and 02365974) and sharing the same registered office as SPE Europe (see note 1).

The Group conducts its trading activities through its two trading subsidiaries, SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited. These companies organise and hold workshops, training courses and conferences to further the aims of the charitable organisation.

The value of the parent Company's investment in each of its subsidiary companies is £2. SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited are registered at the Company's offices at 4th Floor West, America House, 2 America Square, London EC3N 2LU.

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17. Ultimate parent undertaking

The ultimate parent company and controlling related party is Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Inc, registered at 222 Palisades Creek Drive, Richardson, Texas 75080 USA.

At year end, the Group had the following related party transactions and year end balances with Group entities:

	Transactions charged to related parties in the year £	Transactions charged from related parties in the year £	Receivable from related party at year end £	Payable to related party at year end £
2023				
SPE International	-	(32,543)	272,042	-
SPE Canada	-	-	-	-
SPE Foundation	-	-	-	-
SPE Middle East	704	(67,932)	1,511	(69,970)
SPE Asia Pacific SPE sections and chapters	-	-	-	-
	<u>704</u>	<u>(100,475)</u>	<u>273,553</u>	<u>(69,970)</u>
2022				
SPE International	1,683	(60,687)	74,944	(272,035)
SPE Canada	-	-	597	-
SPE Foundation	-	-	-	-
SPE Middle East	12,466	(3,882)	5,692	(2,848)
SPE Asia Pacific SPE sections and chapters	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(55,488)</u>
	<u>14,149</u>	<u>(64,569)</u>	<u>81,233</u>	<u>(330,371)</u>

18. Financial instruments

The charity held assets at fair value through income and expenditure of £4,122,778 (2022: £5,183,899). Movements in the year through the statement of financial activities comprised income of £Nil (2022: £Nil) and loss of £311,121 (2022: gain of £342,084).

SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS EUROPE LIMITED

England & Wales - Charity number 1017482

Accounts

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Trustees' report

For the year ended 31 March 2022

The Trustees, who are also the Directors, present their report for the purposes of Company Law together with the consolidated financial statements and independent auditor's report for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Trustees and their Interests

The Trustees, who are also the Directors, who served during the year were as follows:

James Rawes

John Joseph Healy

Michelle Boyd (Appointed 9th April 2021)

Laura Ioana Precupanu (Appointed 26th January 2022)

The Trustees are appointed on the recommendation of the Board of Directors of the parent undertaking and the existing Trustees and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

Principal Officer and Company Secretary

John Joseph Healy – Human Resources Director and Company Secretary

Philip Chandler – Director, European and Caspian Events, Sales & Marketing (Retired 7th February 2022)

James Rawes – VP Sales, Marketing and Business Development

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited, company registration number: 2778741 and charity registration number: 1017482, is a company limited by shares, which was incorporated on 6 January 1993 and commenced trading on 1 March 1993. It is a subsidiary undertaking of Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Inc, tax identification number 75-2001539, a charitable company incorporated and operating in the USA. The objects of the Company are set out in its Memorandum and Articles of Association. In February 1993, the Company was registered as a charity, with the purpose of aiding the dissemination of petroleum engineering knowledge through a variety of programmes including publications, specialist meetings, scholarships and internet based services.

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Appointment of Trustees

Trustees, Induction and Training

New Trustees are recruited from the Society's membership and are identified by peer review. A Trustee induction handbook is provided to new Trustees. This handbook is divided into four units, designed to (1) safeguard the values and mission of the organisation; (2) determine the strategy and structure of the organisation; (3) ensure the organisation operates in a responsible and accountable manner; and (4) ensure the effective functioning of the board. Trustees are provided with ongoing training and support as required to enable them to fulfil their duties effectively.

The Trustees of the board are not remunerated for the service that they provide to the Charity as Trustees of the board but where they fulfil other employment activities for the SPE group, they will receive remuneration from the Group. In such cases, remuneration is benchmarked against appropriate external data and reviewed by senior management, and if appropriate, the remuneration committee of SPE Inc on a regular basis.

Organisation

The SPE Inc Board is comprised of the SPE International officers. The SPE Inc Board is responsible for broad financial and operational oversight for the organisation.

Each regional board, including the Board of Trustees of the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited, is comprised of Directors selected at-large from within the region. Having at-large Directors serving on those boards gives a broad-based representation that enhances the decisions of those boards. The regional subsidiary boards have general fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the subsidiary operations.

In summary, the responsibilities of the various governing bodies are as follows:

- The SPE International Board is responsible for policy and programme development for the Society's worldwide activities.
- The SPE Inc Board has fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the entire organisation; and
- The regional subsidiary boards have fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the subsidiary operations.

The SPE Chief Executive Officer (CEO) together with the Chief Operations Officer (COO) manages the worldwide staff operations. Each subsidiary has an Events Director who oversees the regional operations. The Events Directors report to the Chief Operations Officer. The Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operations Officer work closely with the Society officers and each of the governing bodies in making decisions and setting direction. Generally, the SPE International Board sets strategic direction and establishes policies after consultation with staff. Additionally, staff consult with the appropriate governing body on major operational issues, but staff have responsibility for operational decisions and execution of board-approved programmes.

Strategic Report

Objectives and Activities

The objectives and principal activities of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited continue to be in line with the vision of SPE International, which is to “enable the global oil and gas E&P industry to share technical knowledge needed to meet the world’s energy needs in a safe and environmentally responsible manner”, which guides the overall mission “to collect, disseminate, and exchange technical knowledge concerning the exploration, development and production of oil and gas resources, and related technologies for the public benefit; and to provide opportunities for professionals to enhance their technical and professional competence”.

The Group achieves its objectives through a variety of programmes including publications, technical meetings, scholarships, educational programmes, training courses and web based services.

Public Benefit

In planning our activities to meet our objectives our Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission’s general guidance on public benefit.

The Society believes that the key aspects of public benefit will be achieved by:

Development of the Exploration and Production (E&P) Industry workforce. SPE is the technical and professional home for those engaged in all aspects of the upstream oil and gas industry. All charitable activities focus on sharing of knowledge that keeps the E&P industry sustainable and are undertaken to further our charitable purpose to collect, disseminate, and exchange technical knowledge concerning the exploration, development and production of oil and gas resources, and related technologies for the public benefit.

By addressing technical challenges, as the largest upstream professional society, SPE provides a worldwide forum for sharing technology, knowledge and the latest solutions for overcoming the technical challenges of finding and producing more oil and natural gas. SPE also helps address critical issues of the future such as sustainability of energy supplies and carbon sequestration.

By preparing the next generation of energy professionals for careers in our industry, SPE’s programmes help by offering both professional and skill development through workshops, training courses, publications, Section activities and online mentoring.

By working with schools and universities to attract more young people to our profession with scholarships, our global energy multilingual education outreach programme, Energy4me, the SPE Ambassador programme and teacher workshops and education events aimed at students and school children.

By maintaining high professional standards by offering members continuing education options globally. SPE Petroleum Engineering Certification offers an international credential recognising petroleum engineering expertise.

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Distinguished Lecturer Programme

The Distinguished Lecturer Programme, available to Sections throughout the world, is one of the most popular SPE-administered programmes. This annual programme began in 1961 with three highly regarded "Distinguished Lecturers." Currently SPE sends 30 to 35 lecturers to 191 Sections providing three lectures per season, which averages 550 presentations per programme year.

The programme is a key component of SPE's technology dissemination mission. The programme is designed to provide Sections with outstanding, expert speakers for Section meetings. It also recognises the professional contributions of those selected as Distinguished Lecturers.

Every compliant SPE Section is now entitled to up to two Distinguished Lecturer presentations each year. The programme runs from September through June. Rising travel costs and the reduced number of flights to some of the more remote locations continue to provide challenges in scheduling lecturer visits as we add new Sections.

The Distinguished Lecturer Committee selects topics and individual lecturers each year. Each lecturer chosen by the Distinguished Lecturer Committee is an authority in his or her field and a competent public speaker. Potential lecturers are selected in May and finalised in September/October for the following programme year. The cost of this programme continues to grow annually due to increases in travel expenses worldwide. This trend is compounded by our increasing number of new Sections in remote locations, which adds to the airline and travel expenses required to send our lecturers there. Recognising the importance of the programme to the industry globally this is one of the programmes which SPE Europe funds.

Current Position and Future Strategy

The main objectives for the forthcoming year, as well as the Trustees' assessment of the Group's actual performance for this year, are set out below:

Technical Meetings

The Group conducts its trading activities through its two trading subsidiaries, SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited. These companies organise and hold workshops, training courses and conferences to further the aims of the charitable organisation.

The overall aim of the Group is to disseminate technical information through technical conferences and meetings:

In FY22, 12 events were held in Europe, Russia and the Caspian, which were attended by SPE professional members, students and non-members compared to 13 which were held in FY21. This figure includes conferences, workshops and Symposiums. The focus for FY22 was moving as many of our events to virtual events and mastering the new medium to make sure that the events were delivered in the most appropriate way and the SPE mission was maintained.

In FY23, SPE Europe will continue to sustain its core objective of the dissemination of technical knowledge with 12 events scheduled across the region. The main emphasis for FY23 will be making sure as many of the planned events will take place as in-person events.

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Educational Programmes

SPE continues to maintain and add information to the Society's online resources and educational publications and services.

OnePetro

OnePetro, a multi-society online library, contains over 160,000 technical papers from SPE as well as 18 other publishing partners. OnePetro is supported by subscriptions from academic and corporate institutions as well as individual paper sales. The technical resources available on OnePetro continue to grow with peer-reviewed journal articles as well as proceedings from conferences held worldwide being added monthly. The majority of papers are in the English language; however, there are also papers available in the Russian language.

Energy4Me

The Energy4me (e4me) programme to educate school aged children and their teachers and parents about the industry also continues to grow with materials now available in seven languages and used globally by schools. Regional websites allow easy access to SPE's information. The programme is particularly strong in Scotland championed by the Aberdeen section and was again featured in the Caspian event in Kazakhstan (60 teachers attended virtually).

Training Courses

Training courses are still very much in the recovery phase and being hit again with budget constraints.

Scholarships and Fellowships

5 Scholarships and Fellowships are continuing to be awarded each year which are operated by staff in the SPE London Office and award students around the world. This includes the SPE Foundation Gus Archie Scholarship (one winner receiving USD 5,000 for up to 4 years), SPE Foundation Nico van Wingen Graduate Fellowship (one winner receiving USD 5,000 for up to 4 years), Henry DeWitt Smith Memorial Fellowship (one winner single payment of USD 5,000) and the Imomoh Scholarship (four winners with a single payment of USD 2,000). In November 2019 applications also opened for a new Scholarship called the Donald G. Russell Scholarship which gives 2 recipients studying in the USA, a one time payment of USD 4,000 and the first payment went out in the summer of 2020.

From 2016, the Scholarships programme is administered by a coordinator in the London Office representing the Young Member Programs, prior to this it was managed by the Membership Team based in the Dallas Office with additional coordination for applications from regional office staff.

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Student Paper Contests

In 2019 14 regional contests continued to be run annually with the winners offered an expenses paid trip to compete internationally at the SPE Annual Meeting in October 2019, with other regional winners. Up to 42 winners (three per 14 regional contests). The winners are awarded funding to cover return flights, four nights' accommodation, event registration and VISA costs if required. Where possible these costs are paid for directly but in some situations, reimbursements are made directly to students who have already covered the costs themselves. Winners of this international competition are awarded a financial prize of USD 1,000 utilizing sponsorship gained for the program. This is processed by the Young Member Programs Team in the London Office.

Given the travel restrictions of COVID-19 the winners of the 2020 and 2021 contests were not offered paid travel to ATCE. A nominal prize of USD 500 was given to students in the meantime through regional programme budgets. For 2022 travel to ATCE is aiming to be returned with a \$1,000 travel grant, but at this time this has not been processed.

Distinguished Lecture Programme

This programme, outlined above, remains a great success being extremely valued by the membership globally. SPE Europe will continue to fund this important programme.

Awards Programme

With awards presented at a regional and international level SPE members achieve recognition amongst their peers within the industry.

Certification Programme

Certification exams continue to be run to give a qualification for those who choose to study hard for and take this multidisciplinary open book exam. High value is placed by the industry on those who can claim achievement of this qualification.

Sections

SPE members are all affiliated to a local Section. Sections are located around the world and provide an operating framework for all major society activities. Sections are semi-autonomous units and self-governing within the framework of SPE policies. Section members elect officers and directors annually. Sections are organized into regions, and each region has representation on the SPE Board of Directors.

This structure allows for members based geographically close to each other the opportunity to network with other members through meetings and events at a local level. Some Sections are larger and some more active than others. In FY22 we saw the establishment of a new Section in this region in Kyiv, Ukraine. In FY23 new Sections will continue to be established as the membership continues to grow across the regions.

Student Chapters

Student Chapters are all affiliated with an academic establishment offering a relevant petroleum engineering related course. In FY22 there were five new Student Chapters established within our Region. The universities were based in Nigeria and Ukraine. In the coming year, new Chapters will continue to be established allowing SPE to continue the connection between students and our professional membership to secure the future of the industry workforce. There

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continues to be a strong growth in Student Chapters, however the criteria for establishing Student Chapter have been tightened.

SPE Europe will continue to work in the year ahead to identify programmes and projects that meet our mission. The Trustees review new programmes regularly, which they can support and new projects are regularly assessed for their value.

Achievements and Performance

All of SPE's initiatives and activities are directed and organised by its members, with staff support. All such initiatives and activities are regularly reviewed and assessed by the membership, by use of membership and non-membership surveys. In addition, rigorous Key Performance Indicators set by the SPE Board of Directors regularly review and measure performance in all areas of the Society's work, including Publications and Periodicals, Technical Meetings and Conferences, Audit and Administration, Internet-Based Services and Member Services.

Risk Management

The Trustees have continued their overview during the year to examine the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces. Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe and its related entities face multiple risks. These various risks are normal and customary as they relate to Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe's business. In addition to management's assessment of these risks, SPE's internal audit function has been actively auditing SPE's operations in London for over five years as well as more recently in Moscow. Throughout this timeframe, internal audit has observed, and reports that, the risks listed below are effectively managed in accordance with standard SPE and industry practices.

Strategic Risks (External)

- Political unrest – political issues/changes, e.g. Russia, Middle East, Africa
- Economic environment – 'Great Recession', banking issues, stagnant economic growth
- Social activism – oil spill(s), public perception/image of oil industry
- Cultural factors – diversity of religion(s), migration, aging of customer base

Business Operating and Financial Risks (Internal)

- Processes – support SPE's mission; membership growth, event management
- Personnel – hiring, retention/attrition, training, growth
- Compliance – FCPA, UK Bribery Act, Charity Commission for England and Wales, Data Protection and privacy laws
- Sanctions – observing legal restrictions applicable to designated countries
- Traditional financial risks – addressed by the internal audit department; risk assessment, audit planning, systems and processes, evaluation of internal control(s) design, substantive testing of all major classes and categories of financial transactions, fraud awareness

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External risks

SPE Europe's management has remained aware of external risks and has taken measures, such as cancelling, moving and rescheduling events that might present security or safety risks to attendees, sponsors and staff. SPE Europe management continues to monitor covid risks and will adjust business activities as needed if significant health impacts are at risk. There are no examples where any known significant risk was ignored.

The current situation with Russia and Ukraine has had a major effect on the ability to run events in the Russia region. SPE has suspended all events in Russia due to the current situation. SPE is monitoring the situation very closely and is following legal advice on sanctions in place.

Internal risks

SPE Europe's management has identified and improved its primary business processes consistently over time. Personnel levels are expanded or reduced as necessary and properly trained. Management has taken steps to ensure compliance with all applicable regulations promulgated by the governing bodies such as the Charity Commission for England and Wales and has acted proactively to ensure compliance with current regulations. Management has complied with all legal sanctions imposed by all governments involved. Financial risks have been assessed and evaluated by SPE's Internal Audit department. Management has responded positively to recommendations made by Internal Audit.

Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Trustees constantly monitor the risks and uncertainties facing the Group with particular reference to the exposure on price, exchange rates, credit, liquidity and cash flow risks. Management has procedures in place whereby forward contracts may be used to hedge against foreign exchange risks and credit control procedures are tightly monitored in order to minimise liquidity and cash flow risks. They are confident that there are suitable policies in place and there are no material risks and uncertainties which have not been considered.

Reserves policy

The SPE Europe board regularly reviews the financial position and performance of the charity and its trading subsidiaries and is confident that, despite the current global downturn in oil prices, the organisation has sufficient resources to continue trading as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

The primary purpose of the Reserve Fund (the Fund) for the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe (SPEU) and the aim of the Trustees' reserves policy is to make available a source of revenues to be used by SPEU or other subsidiaries of SPE Inc to:

- ensure the continuation of normal business activities should SPEU's operating revenues be insufficient to meet expenses during a period of sustained economic distress;
- provide risk funds for the development of member service programmes as approved by the SPE Inc Board of Directors; and

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- accommodate minor annual operating surpluses and deficits that may occur from time to time.

The corpus of the SPEU Reserve Fund shall be determined by the total resources expended as reported in the SPEU annual consolidated financial statement, as approved by the SPEU Board of Directors, averaged over a two-year period. Funds in the amount of one-half (6 months) the annual total resources expended should be accumulated for use in future capital expenditures and new ventures. Any amount over the target level for the Reserve Fund balance can be used for any purpose consistent with the Society's charitable status and objects and as approved by the SPEU Board of Directors.

SPE International has instituted an Advantage Programme which allocated 4% of its global reserve funds towards new initiatives, including Public Energy Education, Dedicated Programmes for the Young, complimentary Meeting Attendance for Academics and Additional Distinguished Lecturer Visits to Local Sections.

	2022	2021	2020
Unrestricted funds	5,520,290	7,694,188	7,997,812
Less: Tangible fixed assets	(178,067)	(211,823)	(235,153)
Level of reserves available for purpose consistent with the Society's charitable status	5,342,223	7,482,365	7,762,659

In line with our reserves policy, the target amount for the SPEU reserves fund for the financial year ending 31 March 2022 is calculated to be equivalent to £2.1m (2021: £2.8m). When compared to the target reserve fund balance of £2.1m, a surplus of £3.2m (2021: £4.7m) remains in the level of reserves available for charitable purposes.

Investment Policy and Performance

The charity's policy is to invest in funds whose risk profile is considered to be low to moderate. The aim is to achieve over a period of several years better returns than those achieved by funds with a similar risk profile. The charity's portfolio has performed well for the financial year ending 31 March 2022 giving the charity a gain of £348k (2021: £1,088,943).

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Financial Review

Details of the results of activity of the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe itself are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities.

During the year the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe consolidated Group had incoming resources from charitable activities of £675k (2021: £742k) and investment gains of £348k (2021: £1.1m), the Group has expended resources of £3.2m (2021: £2.1m). Taken together with gains on investment assets, there was a loss for the year of £2.2m (2021: £304k). The reason for the loss for FY22 is the impact of COVID-19 and the ability to hold in person events. The SPE Annual Caspian conference was due to take place in Baku, Azerbaijan but was held as a virtual event due to concerns at the time over COVID-19. The Russian Petroleum Conference was originally planned to return to in-person format but was eventually held online as health and travel concerns continued to dominate.

This year the Group's income receivable from the joint ventures amounted to £44k (2021: £56k). The partnership with Reed Exhibitions continues to be of critical importance both to SPE Europe and to SPEI's ability to deliver membership programmes such as the Distinguished Lecturer Programme.

At the end of the financial year the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe consolidated Group carries forward net assets of £5,519,765 (2021: £7,695,188). Listed investments plus cash and bank deposits totalled £5,879,094 (2021: £7,901,179) at the financial year end, comfortably sufficient to meet the Group's short-term obligations to creditors.

Operations

SPE Europe conducts its trading activities through its two trading subsidiaries, SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited. During the year ended 31 March 2022, SPE Ventures Limited made an operating loss of £1,285,370 (2021: loss of £333,949). The company's main operations relate to the staging of conferences, workshops and training courses for professionals who are employed in the oil and gas industry. During the year ended 31 March 2022, SPE Trading Limited made an operating loss of £74,379 (2021: loss of £36,045). The company's main operations relate to the staging of joint venture conferences for professionals who are employed in the oil and gas industry.

The principal source of funding during the year continues to be income from conferences and workshops. In FY22, every effort has been made to keep costs as low as possible to ensure that events are not only relevant to the membership but also affordable. Local advice and recommendations continue to drive the programmes being produced in the emerging regions where events can act as a shop window on the Society and support our growth initiatives in these areas.

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Highlights of this year's event programme are as follows:

Russian Petroleum Technology Conference

Originally planned to return to in-person format, RPTC was eventually held online as health and travel concerns continued to dominate. Nevertheless, the conference was successful, gathered over 550 delegates (same as in 2020) from 16 countries and 150+ companies. Rich and deep technical program included 240+ technical presentations spread over 39 sessions, five round tables, a plenary session and a number of other activities. For the first time technical presentations were broadcasted on SPE resources (200+ broadcasts).

SPE Annual Caspian Technical Conference (CTC)

The annual conference was due to take place in Baku, Azerbaijan but was held as a virtual event due to concerns at the time over Covid. The event had SOCAR – the national oil company - as its Host Organisation and was supported through sponsorship by a range of international oil and gas operators and service companies active within the Caspian region. The event featured three keynote panel sessions, more than fifty technical paper presentations as well as poster sessions and the Student Development Summit. Due to the pandemic and the sponsorship support achieved, the event was made free to attend and attracted more than 830 delegates.

Plans for Future Periods

The key elements of the Charity's medium to long-term strategy are:

- Capability Development
- Knowledge Transfer
- Promoting Professional and Social Responsibility
- Public Education about the Petroleum Engineering profession and industry issues

SPE's programmes all strive to meet these strategic priorities fitting with the overall mission.

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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also Directors of Society of Petroleum Engineers (Europe) Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable Company and the Group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable Company and the Group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable Company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable Company's transactions, disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and the provisions of the charity's constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and the Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Insofar as each of the trustees of the charity at the date of approval of this report is aware there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the charity's auditor in connection with preparing the audit report) of which the charity's auditor is unaware. Each trustee has taken all of the steps that he/she should have taken as a trustee in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditor is aware of that information.

The Report of the Trustees, which includes the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report required by company law (included therein), was approved by the Board and signed on their behalf by:



James Rawes

Trustee

21 September 2022

Independent auditor's report

For the year ended 31 March 2022

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS EUROPE LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited (the 'parent charitable company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2022 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Consolidated and Company Balance Sheets, the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2022 and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group and parent charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group's or parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Trustees' Report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Trustees' Report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' Report, which includes the Directors' Report and the Strategic Report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Directors' Report and the Strategic Report included within the Trustees' Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent charitable company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' Report or the Strategic Report included within the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent charitable company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or

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- the parent charitable company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' responsibilities set out on page 14, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the group's and parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the group or parent charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. The objectives of our audit are to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding compliance with laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, to perform audit procedures to help identify instances of non-compliance with other laws and regulations that may have a material effect on the financial statements, and to respond appropriately to identified or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations identified during the audit.

In relation to fraud, the objectives of our audit are to identify and assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud, to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud through designing and implementing appropriate responses and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit.

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However, it is the primary responsibility of management, with the oversight of those charged with governance, to ensure that the entity's operations are conducted in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and for the prevention and detection of fraud.

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud, the group audit engagement team:

- obtained an understanding of the nature of the sector, including the legal and regulatory framework that the group and parent charitable company operates in and how the group and parent charitable company are complying with the legal and regulatory framework;
- inquired of management, and those charged with governance, about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities, including any known actual, suspected or alleged instances of fraud;
- discussed matters about non-compliance with laws and regulations and how fraud might occur including assessment of how and where the financial statements may be susceptible to fraud.

As a result of these procedures we consider the most significant laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements are FRS 102, Charities SORP (FRS 102), Companies Act 2006, Charities Act 2011, the parent charitable company's governing document and Charities (Protection and Social Investment) Act 2016. We performed audit procedures to detect non-compliances which may have a material impact on the financial statements which included reviewing the financial statements including the Trustees' Report, remaining alert to new or unusual transactions which may not be in accordance with the governing documents and evaluating advice received from internal/external advisors.

The most significant laws and regulations that have an indirect impact on the financial statements are those in relation to data protection. We performed audit procedures to inquire of management whether the group is in compliance with these law and regulations.

The group audit engagement team identified the risk of management override of controls as the area where the financial statements were most susceptible to material misstatement due to fraud. Audit procedures performed included but were not limited to testing manual journal entries and other adjustments, evaluating the business rationale in relation to significant, unusual transactions and transactions entered into outside the normal course of business and challenging judgments and estimates.

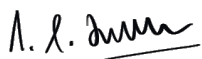
A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



NICHOLAS SLADDEN (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of RSM UK AUDIT LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants

25 Farringdon Street

London

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Date. 22 September 2022

Consolidated statement of financial activities

(Incorporating an income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 March 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Income from			
Charitable activities	2	631,203	685,054
Income from joint ventures	7	43,849	56,597
Investment income – Bank interest, dividends and interest		19	-
Total		675,071	741,651
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds			
Investment management costs		5,931	6,383
Management fee		70,121	115,740
Charitable activities	4	3,122,456	2,012,095
Total		3,198,508	2,134,218
Gains on investments		348,014	1,088,943
Net Expenditure		(2,175,423)	(303,624)
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		7,694,188	7,997,812
Total funds carried forward		5,518,765	7,694,188

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Consolidated balance sheet
for the year ended 31 March 2022
Registered number: 2778741

	Notes	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		178,067		211,823
Fixed asset investments	10		<u>5,183,899</u>		<u>5,841,817</u>
			5,361,966		6,053,640
Current assets					
Debtors	11	495,014		309,510	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>695,195</u>		<u>2,059,362</u>	
		1,190,209		2,368,872	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(1,032,410)</u>		<u>(727,324)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>157,799</u>		<u>1,641,548</u>
Net assets			<u>5,519,765</u>		<u>7,695,188</u>
Capital and funds					
Called-up share capital	13		1,000		1,000
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>					
General fund	14		5,518,765		7,694,188
Designated fund	14		-		-
Total capital and funds			<u>5,519,765</u>		<u>7,695,188</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board and authorised for issue on 21st September 2022.



James Rawes

Trustee

21 September 2022

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Company balance sheet
for the year ended 31 March 2022
Registered number: 2778741

		2022	2021
	Notes	£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	178,067	211,823
Investments	10	5,183,903	5,841,819
		<u>5,361,970</u>	<u>6,053,642</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	11	2,491,663	2,183,877
Cash at bank and in hand		122,151	1,439,204
		<u>2,613,814</u>	<u>3,623,081</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(1,545,059)	(1,511,764)
Net current assets		<u>1,068,755</u>	<u>2,111,317</u>
Net assets		<u>6,430,725</u>	<u>8,164,959</u>
Capital and funds			
Called-up equity share capital	13	1,000	1,000
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>			
General fund	14	6,429,725	8,163,959
Designated fund	14	-	-
Total capital and funds		<u>6,430,725</u>	<u>8,164,959</u>

No separate statement of financial activities is presented for Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited as provided by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006. The loss for the year for Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited for Companies Act 2006 purposes was £1,734,236 (2021: Surplus £2,591,958).

The financial statements were approved by the board and authorised for issue on 21st September 2022.


James Rawes

Trustee

21 September 2022

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Consolidated cash flow statement

for the year ended 31 March 2022

Registered number: 2778741

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net cash used in operating activities	(a)	(2,352,102)	(955,752)
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Dividends		(5,931)	(6,383)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(6,135)	(5,996)
Proceeds from sale of investments		1,001,603	9,679
Purchase of investments		(10,339)	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		979,198	(2,700)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(1,372,904)	(958,452)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		2,068,099	3,026,551
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		695,195	2,068,099

Note (a) – Reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities

	2022 £	2021 £
Net expenditure for the reporting period	(2,175,423)	(303,624)
Net cash used in operating activities		
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	29,230	29,326
Revaluation of Assets	10,662	-
Gains on investments	(342,083)	(1,082,560)
Dividends, interest and rent from investments	5,931	6,383
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(185,504)	334,169
Increase in creditors	305,086	60,554
Net cash used in operating activities	(2,352,102)	(955,752)
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents		
Cash in hand	695,195	2,059,362
Notice deposits (less than 3 months)	-	8,737
Cash and cash equivalents	695,195	2,068,099

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1. Accounting policies

A summary of the Group's principal accounting policies, all of which have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year, is set out below.

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

Society of Petroleum Engineers (Europe) Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

The individual entity accounts of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited have taken advantage of the disclosure exemption under FRS 102 to separately disclose categories of financial instruments and items of income, expenses, gains or losses relating to instruments as these have been presented on a Group basis in the notes to the accounts.

Income received in foreign currency is translated at the month end exchange rate to GBP. The Russian branch's functional currency is Rubles.

b) Going concern

As highlighted in the report of the Trustees, having assessed the Group's financial position, its plans for the foreseeable future and the risks to which it is exposed, the Trustees are satisfied that it remains appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The directors have reviewed the Group and Company's financial position, its plans for the foreseeable future and the risks to which it is exposed. The directors have taken into account the ongoing impact on the Russian Activities and are adhering to all sanctions in place. A final decision on the Russia activity is still in discussions with the local Russian sections and the SPE Management. Taking into account future cash flows for the Company and the group support that is available to the Company from the ultimate parent entity, SPE Inc., there is little risk that the Company will not be able to continue as a going concern. On the above basis, the directors remain satisfied that it continues to be appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The Company continues to expect challenges going forward as the industry begins to recover from the pandemic. The Company has developed a Virtual Program strategy that will incorporate many of the different ways the Company collects technical information and provide a platform for members to access the information. The Company will continue to review planning progress for upcoming events and future events, such as offering hybrid events, which include both in-person and digital options. The Company is continually managing its operating expenditures and reserves effectively to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

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c) Basis of consolidation

The Group financial statements consolidate the accounts of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited and all its subsidiary undertakings up to 31 March 2022. In the Company's accounts, investments in subsidiary undertakings are stated at cost, less amounts written off.

The Group financial statements incorporate joint ventures under the equity method of accounting, supplemented by additional disclosures for joint ventures.

The Group's results for the year are shown on page 20.

d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise general funds where monies are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and designated funds where monies are unrestricted but they have been designated by the Trustees for a specific purpose.

e) Income

Investment income

Investment income relates to dividends and interest realised on investments and bank interest receivable. Investment income is accounted for on the accruals basis, other than dividend income, which is recognised on receipt.

Charitable activities

Income from charitable activities relates to conference income and represents amounts receivable (exclusive of VAT) from visitors to, and exhibitors at, petroleum conferences organised by the Group, together with donations from sponsor companies and other contributions. Conference and associated income is only recognised at the point at which the event is held and is deferred for events which occur in the next accounting period.

f) Expenditure

Raising Funds

Fundraising trading costs relate to management fees paid during the year. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

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Investment management fee

These costs relate to fees charged by investment managers for managing the investment portfolio. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprise expenditure, including staff costs, directly attributable to the activity. Where costs cannot be directly attributed they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. These costs are accounted for on the accruals basis.

Governance costs

Governance costs relate to expenditure, including Board expenses, attributable to the costs of running the Board. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

Support Costs

Support costs are broken down into two difference categories, Support Costs-Management and Support Costs-Other. Support costs-Management covers Overhead expenses adjusted downward for management time for Due and Member Programs and Governance Costs. Support costs – Other covers Operating expenses plus Audit, Legal and Board Expenses.

g) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are shown at original historical cost. Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis on all tangible fixed assets at rates designed to write off costs, less estimated residual values, over their expected useful lives, as follows:

Computer equipment	- 3 years
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	- 5 to 10 years

h) Investments

Investments are stated at market value. Initial recognition of investments is at cost. It is the Group's policy to keep valuations up to date such that when investments are sold, there is no gain or loss arising. As a result, the Statement of Financial Activities includes those unrealised gains and losses arising from the revaluation of the investment portfolio throughout the year, and realised gains and losses of investments disposed during the year. Disclosure is made in note 10 of the difference between the historical cost and the sale proceeds of the investments sold during the year.

i) Joint ventures

An entity is treated as a joint venture where the Group holds a long term interest and shares control under a contractual agreement.

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In the Group accounts, interests in joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The consolidated statement of financial activities indicates the Group's share of the net interest in the joint ventures. In the consolidated balance sheet notes, amounts owing from the joint venture are disclosed.

j) Operating lease commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged on a straight line basis over the lease term.

k) Foreign currency

In the accounts of individual undertakings, transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded in GBP at actual exchange rates as of the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are reported at the rates of exchange prevailing at that date. Any gain or loss arising from a change in exchange rates subsequent to the date of the transaction is included as an exchange gain or loss in the statement of financial activities.

The results of overseas operations are translated at the average rate of exchange during the period. Balance sheet accounts are translated at the rate ruling at the balance sheet date.

l) Financial instruments

The Group has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Financial assets held at amortised cost comprise cash and bank and in hand, together with trade and other debtors. Financial liabilities held at amortised cost comprise bank loans and overdrafts, trade, other creditors and accruals.

Investments, including bonds held as part of an investment portfolio are held at fair value at the Balance Sheet date, with gains and losses being recognised within income and expenditure. Investments in subsidiary undertakings are held at cost less impairment.

m) Pension costs

The Group provides pensions to all employees through a funded defined contribution scheme. The amount expended in the statement of financial activities is the contributions payable in the year.

n) Company information

The charity is a private limited company, registered by shares (registered number 2778741), which is incorporated and domiciled in the England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Fourth Floor West, America House, 2 America Square, London EC3N 2LU.

o) Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, which are described in note 1, Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent

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from other sources. The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects the current and future periods.

In the view of the Trustees, no assumptions concerning the future or estimation uncertainty affecting assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date are likely to result in a material adjustment to their carrying amounts in the next financial year.

2. Income from charitable activities

	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£
Conference income	<u>631,202</u>	<u>685,054</u>

The geographic split of the turnover is as follows:

Geographic Region	2022	2021
	£	£
UK	140,224	260,049
Europe	33,345	94,590
Russia and Caspian	455,673	329,747
Africa	<u>1,960</u>	<u>668</u>
	<u>631,202</u>	<u>685,054</u>

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3. Net expenditure for the year

Net expenditure for the year is stated after charging:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Staff costs (see note 6)	959,876	862,768
Depreciation	29,230	29,326
Rent	145,620	193,794
Auditor's remuneration	54,250	51,000
Non-audit services (tax compliance)	7,500	6,750
	<u>1,196,476</u>	<u>1,143,638</u>

4. Expenditure in respect of charitable activities

Activity	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs management	Support costs other	Total 2022
Conferences	362,879	698,573	685,751	1,747,203
Members' Programmes	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>375,253</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,375,253</u>
	<u>1,362,879</u>	<u>1,073,826</u>	<u>685,751</u>	<u>3,122,456</u>

Activity	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs management	Support costs other	Total 2021
Conferences	265,443	813,659	796,143	1,875,245
Members' Programmes	<u>-</u>	<u>136,850</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>136,850</u>
	<u>265,443</u>	<u>950,509</u>	<u>796,143</u>	<u>2,012,095</u>

Support costs are analysed as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Support costs:		
Staff costs	1,002,764	883,220
Other operating expenses	58,203	17,017
Governance costs	85,804	157,540
Administration costs	611,281	688,875
	<u>1,758,052</u>	<u>1,746,652</u>

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5. Governance costs

Governance costs are stated in respect of:

	2022	2021
	£	£
External audit and taxation services	61,750	57,750
Other financial services and consultancy	11,195	49,518
Board expenses	-	-
Management salaries	12,859	50,273
	<u>85,804</u>	<u>157,541</u>

6. Staff costs

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	802,798	714,663
Social security costs	113,146	104,328
Other pension costs (note 14c)	43,931	43,777
	<u>959,876</u>	<u>862,768</u>

Staff costs exclude the salaries for 8 individuals totalling £657,606 (2021: £536,837) who are employed by the Group but work primarily for Society of Petroleum Engineers Inc and whose time has been re-charged to that entity.

The average number of employees, including Directors (who are Trustees), employed by the Group during the year was:

	2022	2021
	Number	Number
Members programme	4	5
Conference organisation	13	12
Support	3	4
Sales	4	4
Management and administration	7	6
	<u>31</u>	<u>31</u>

The number of employees earning over £60,000 during the year, excluding pension contributions, was as follows:

	2022	2021
	Number	Number
Income band £110,000 - £ 119,999	1	-
Income band £80,000 - £ 89,999	-	1
Income band £60,000 - £ 69,999	1	1
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

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Pension contributions to money purchasing pension scheme in respect of the above employees during the year were £8,886 (2021: £7,468).

In addition to the Trustees, Key management personnel of the charity comprise the Human Resources Director, the Events Director for Europe, Caspian and Sub-Saharan Africa, the Senior Manager for Sales and Business Development, the VP Sales, Marketing and Business Development and the Senior Finance Manager. The costs for the Human Resources Director and the VP Sales, Marketing and Business Development are re-charged to Society of Petroleum Inc.

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £539,087 (2021: £536,243).

Trustees' remuneration

The following Trustees received the following remuneration as employees of SPE Europe and/or the parent entity SPE Inc during the year:

	Basic	Benefits	Total
James Rawes	152,588	9,634	162,222
John Joseph Healy	139,424	9,807	149,231
Total	292,012	19,441	311,453

None of the Trustees were remunerated for their services as Trustees. The Trustees expenses for the year amounted to £Nil (2021: £Nil).

7. Income from joint venture

The geographical analysis of the share of the Group's profits from the joint ventures is as follows:

	2022	2021
United Kingdom	43,849	56,597
	43,849	56,597

8. Taxation

Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited is a registered charity and is not subject to UK corporation tax on profits from its charitable activities. The subsidiaries are not charities and are therefore subject to corporation tax on their profits.

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9. Tangible fixed assets

Group and Company	Computer equipment	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At beginning of year	215,966	503,902	719,868
Additions	6,135	-	6,135
Retirements		(10,661)	(10,661)
At end of year	222,101	493,241	715,342
Depreciation			
At beginning of year	181,344	326,701	508,045
Charge for the year	9,636	19,594	29,230
At end of year	190,980	346,295	537,275
Net book value			
At 1 April 2021	34,622	177,201	211,823
At 31 March 2022	31,121	146,946	178,067

All of the Company's fixed assets are held for use on a continuing basis for the organisation of conferences.

10. Fixed asset investments

	Group		Company	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Listed investments	5,183,899	5,833,078	5,183,899	5,833,078
Cash awaiting investment	-	8,739	-	8,737
Subsidiary undertakings	-	-	4	4
	5,183,899	5,841,817	5,183,903	5,841,819

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The Group has a 50% interest in two joint ventures E&P Events LLP, registered in England and Wales, and Offshore Europe Partnership. The partnerships hold biennial conferences for petroleum engineers. Audited accounts are prepared for the Offshore Europe Partnership every two years. The last Offshore Europe Partnership conference was held virtually during the year ending 31 December 2021, audited accounts are not yet available for the 24 months ended 31 December 2021. The E&P Events LLP audited accounts are not yet available for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The Group is entitled to draw the whole of its share of the profit of both Offshore Europe Partnership and E&P Events LLP. The Group has received, as part of its entitlement under the Offshore Europe Partnership agreement, an amount of £43,849 (2021: £25,316), and under the E&P Events LLP agreement, an amount of £Nil (2021: £31,281) in the year ending 31 March 2022.

The Group's aggregate interests in the joint ventures are as follows;

	2022	2021
	£	£
Turnover	-	-
Tangible fixed assets		
Current assets	52,931	190,001
Liabilities due within one year	(63,031)	(127,439)
Net assets	(10,100)	62,562

Included in incoming resources from charitable activities, in addition to conference programming income receivable, there are cost reimbursements, sponsorship and management fees from the two joint ventures amounting to £43,849 (2021 £Nil).

Principal Group investments

The Company has two wholly-owned subsidiary undertakings at the year end: SPE Trading Limited and SPE Ventures Limited, both of which are registered in England and Wales (see note 16).

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10. Fixed asset investments (continued)

Listed investments

	2022 £	2021 £
Market value as at beginning of year	5,833,078	4,760,199
Additions	10,339	-
Disposal proceeds	(1,001,602)	(16,064)
Net investment gain in year	<u>342,084</u>	<u>1,088,943</u>
Market value at end of year	<u>5,183,899</u>	<u>5,833,078</u>
Historical cost at end of year	<u>4,425,733</u>	<u>5,285,764</u>
Unrealised gain at end of year	<u>758,165</u>	<u>547,315</u>
Realised gain on historical cost basis	<u>131,232</u>	<u>(1,615)</u>

Listed investments comprise investments listed on the UK Stock Exchange.

11. Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year

	Group 2022 £	2021 £	Company 2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	220,906	72,945	2,709	24,769
Amount owed by related entities	74,944	92,867	74,944	92,867
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	6,289	932	2,240,379	1,933,574
Other debtors	67,071	1,242	10,118	11,824
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>125,804</u>	<u>141,524</u>	<u>163,513</u>	<u>120,843</u>
	<u>495,014</u>	<u>309,510</u>	<u>2,491,663</u>	<u>2,183,877</u>

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12. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Company	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Trade Creditors	212,186	192,802	77,488	61,462
Amounts owed to related group entities	330,372	293,186	299,234	237,831
Amount owed to subsidiary undertakings	-	-	918,561	1,021,714
Taxation and social security	66,441	43,274	45,084	39,973
Other Creditors	-	898	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	423,411	197,164	204,692	150,784
	1,032,410	727,324	1,545,059	1,511,764

Deferred Income

Income deferred in the current year relates to advanced conference registrations, exhibition and sponsorship income for conferences taking place after 31 March 2022.

	Group	Company
	£	£
Balance as at 1 April 2021	20,565	-
Amount released to incoming resources	(20,565)	-
Amount deferred in year	195,424	-
Balance as at 31 March 2022	195,424	-

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13. Called-up equity share capital

	2022 £	2021 £
Group and Company <i>Allotted, called-up and fully-paid</i> 1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>

14. Reconciliation of movements in capital and funds

	Balance 1 April 2021	Income	Net gains on investment	Expenditure	Balance 31 March 2022
2022					
Group	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	7,694,188	675,070	348,014	(2,198,507)	6,518,765
SPE Members Program fund	-			(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Total capital and funds	<u>7,695,188</u>	<u>675,070</u>	<u>348,014</u>	<u>(3,198,507)</u>	<u>5,519,765</u>

Company	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	8,163,959	639,547	348,014	(2,721,795)	6,429,725
Members Program fund	-				
Total capital and funds	<u>8,164,959</u>	<u>639,547</u>	<u>348,014</u>	<u>(2,721,795)</u>	<u>6,430,725</u>

	Balance 1 April 2020	Income	Net gains/ (losses) on investment	Expenditure	Balance 31 March 2021
2021					
Group	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	7,997,812	741,651	1,088,943	(2,134,218)	7,694,188
Total capital and funds	<u>7,998,812</u>	<u>741,651</u>	<u>1,088,943</u>	<u>(2,134,218)</u>	<u>7,695,188</u>

Company	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	5,652,857	3,055,084	1,088,943	(1,632,925)	8,163,959
Total capital and funds	<u>5,653,857</u>	<u>3,055,084</u>	<u>1,088,943</u>	<u>(1,632,925)</u>	<u>8,164,959</u>

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The Members Programme fund comprises funds designated by the Trustees to support the Members Programme, both of which are administered by the Company in line with the funding programme set out in the 2017 strategic plan. The level of funding made available to these programmes will be reviewed annually by the Board.

Transfers represent the intercompany funds transfer between SPE Europe Limited and its subsidiaries, SPE Trading Limited and SPE Ventures Limited.

15. Guarantees and financial commitments

a. Capital commitments

At the end of the year, there were no capital commitments (2021: £Nil).

b. Lease commitments

At 31 March 2022 the Group and Company had aggregate minimum lease payment commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Operating leases for land and buildings, which expire:				
In less than one year	157,110	182,650	157,110	158,160
one to 5 years				
	<u>209,480</u>	<u>369,040</u>	<u>209,480</u>	<u>369,040</u>

c. Pension arrangements

The Group provides defined contribution pension schemes for all employees.

The amount charged to the statement of financial activities is the contributions payable in the year and amounted to £43,931 (2021: £43,777).

d. Contingent liabilities

As a partner in Offshore Europe Partnership and E & P Events LLP, SPE Trading Limited is jointly and severally liable, without limit, for the debts of the partnerships. In the event that either partnership fails to pay any debt for which it has primary liability or is unable to pay amounts due, creditors may look directly to SPE Trading Limited for settlement of their debts or obligations.

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16. Subsidiary undertakings

	SPE Ventures Limited	SPE Trading Limited
	£	£
Turnover	614,201	-
Income from joint venture	-	43,849
Costs	<u>(1,899,571)</u>	<u>(118,228)</u>
Net Loss	(1,285,351)	(74,379)
Interest receivable	<u>19</u>	<u>-</u>
Profit/(loss) before tax	(1,285,370)	(74,379)
Tax charge	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Loss before tax	<u>(1,285,370)</u>	<u>(74,379)</u>
Retained earnings at start of year	<u>(469,770)</u>	<u>-</u>
Gift Aid payment	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Retained earnings at end of year	<u>(1,755,140)</u>	<u>(74,379)</u>
Net (liabilities)	<u>(1,285,370)</u>	<u>(74,379)</u>

The Company owns the whole of the issued ordinary share capital of SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited, both companies being registered in England (company no. 02538982 and 02365974) and sharing the same registered office as SPE Europe (see note 1).

The Group conducts its trading activities through its two trading subsidiaries, SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited. These companies organise and hold workshops, training courses and conferences to further the aims of the charitable organisation.

The value of the parent Company's investment in each of its subsidiary companies is £2. SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited are registered at the Company's offices at 4th Floor West, America House, 2 America Square, London EC3N 2LU.

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17. Ultimate parent undertaking

The ultimate parent company and controlling related party is Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Inc, registered at 222 Palisades Creek Drive, Richardson, Texas 75080 USA.

At year end, the Group had the following related party transactions and year end balances with Group entities:

	Transactions charged to related parties in the year	Transactions charged from related parties in the year	Receivable from related party at year end	Payable to related party at year end
	£	£	£	£
2022				
SPE International	1,683	(60,687)	74,944	(272,035)
SPE Canada	-	-	597	-
SPE Foundation	-	-	-	-
SPE Middle East	12,466	(3,882)	5,692	(2,848)
SPE Asia Pacific	-	-	-	-
SPE sections and chapters	-	-	-	(55,488)
	<u>14,149</u>	<u>(64,569)</u>	<u>81,233</u>	<u>(330,371)</u>
2021				
SPE International	-	(97,414)	92,867	(223,954)
SPE Canada	-	-	-	-
SPE Foundation	-	-	-	-
SPE Middle East	932	(23,750)	932	(7,190)
SPE Asia Pacific	-	-	-	-
SPE sections and chapters	-	-	-	(62,042)
	<u>932</u>	<u>(121,164)</u>	<u>93,799</u>	<u>(293,186)</u>

18. Financial instruments

The charity held assets at fair value through income and expenditure of £5,183,899 (2021: £5,833,078). Movements in the year through the statement of financial activities comprised income of £Nil (2021: £Nil) and gain of £342,084 (2021: gain of £1,088,943).

SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS EUROPE LIMITED

England & Wales - Charity number 1017482

Accounts

Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited

Consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021

Registered number: 2778741

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Karl Ludvig Heskestad

John Joseph Healy

Michelle Boyd (Appointed 9th April 2021)

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Trustees' report

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Trustees' report (continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2021

The Trustees, who are also the Directors, present their report for the purposes of Company Law together with the consolidated financial statements and independent auditor's report for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Trustees and their Interests

The Trustees, who are also the Directors, who served during the year were as follows:

Stephen Graham (Resigned 9th April 2021)

James Rawes

Karl Ludvig Heskestad

John Joseph Healy

Michelle Boyd (Appointed 9th April 2021)

The Trustees are appointed on the recommendation of the Board of Directors of the parent undertaking and the existing Trustees and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

Principal Officer and Company Secretary

John Joseph Healy – Human Resources Director and Company Secretary

Philip Chandler – Director, European and Caspian Events, Sales & Marketing

James Rawes – VP Sales, Marketing and Business Development

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited, company registration number: 2778741 and charity registration number: 1017482, is a company limited by shares, which was incorporated on 6 January 1993 and commenced trading on 1 March 1993. It is a subsidiary undertaking of Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Inc, tax identification number 75-2001539, a charitable company incorporated and operating in the USA. The objects of the Company are set out in its Memorandum and Articles of Association. In February 1993, the Company was registered as a charity, with the purpose of aiding the dissemination of petroleum engineering knowledge through a variety of programmes including publications, specialist meetings, scholarships and internet based services.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Appointment of Trustees

Trustees, Induction and Training

New Trustees are recruited from the Society's membership and are identified by peer review. A Trustee induction handbook is provided to new Trustees. This handbook is divided into four units, designed to (1) safeguard the values and mission of the organisation; (2) determine the strategy and structure of the organisation; (3) ensure the organisation operates in a responsible and accountable manner; and (4) ensure the effective functioning of the board. Trustees are provided with ongoing training and support as required to enable them to fulfil their duties effectively.

The Trustees of the board are not remunerated for the service that they provide to the Charity as Trustees of the board but where they fulfil other employment activities for the SPE group, they will receive remuneration from the Group. In such cases, remuneration is benchmarked against appropriate external data and reviewed by senior management, and if appropriate, the remuneration committee of SPE Inc on a regular basis.

Organisation

The SPE Inc Board is comprised of the SPE International officers. The SPE Inc Board is responsible for broad financial and operational oversight for the organisation.

Each regional board, including the Board of Trustees of the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited, is comprised of Directors selected at-large from within the region. Having at-large Directors serving on those boards gives a broad-based representation that enhances the decisions of those boards. The regional subsidiary boards have general fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the subsidiary operations.

In summary, the responsibilities of the various governing bodies are as follows:

- The SPE International Board is responsible for policy and programme development for the Society's worldwide activities.
- The SPE Inc Board has fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the entire organisation; and
- The regional subsidiary boards have fiduciary and operational oversight responsibility for the subsidiary operations.

The SPE Chief Executive Officer (CEO) together with the Chief Operations Officer (COO) manages the worldwide staff operations. Each subsidiary has an Events Director who oversees the regional operations. The Events Directors report to the Chief Operations Officer. The Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operations Officer work closely with the Society officers and each of the governing bodies in making decisions and setting direction. Generally, the SPE International Board sets strategic direction and establishes policies after consultation with staff. Additionally, staff consult with the appropriate governing body on major operational issues, but staff have responsibility for operational decisions and execution of board-approved programmes.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Strategic Report

Objectives and Activities

The objectives and principal activities of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited continue to be in line with the vision of SPE International, which is to “enable the global oil and gas E&P industry to share technical knowledge needed to meet the world’s energy needs in a safe and environmentally responsible manner”, which guides the overall mission “to collect, disseminate, and exchange technical knowledge concerning the exploration, development and production of oil and gas resources, and related technologies for the public benefit; and to provide opportunities for professionals to enhance their technical and professional competence”.

The Group achieves its objectives through a variety of programmes including publications, technical meetings, scholarships, educational programmes, training courses and web based services.

Public Benefit

In planning our activities to meet our objectives our Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission’s general guidance on public benefit.

The Society believes that the key aspects of public benefit will be achieved by:

Development of the Exploration and Production (E&P) Industry workforce. SPE is the technical and professional home for those engaged in all aspects of the upstream oil and gas industry. All charitable activities focus on sharing of knowledge that keeps the E&P industry sustainable and are undertaken to further our charitable purpose to collect, disseminate, and exchange technical knowledge concerning the exploration, development and production of oil and gas resources, and related technologies for the public benefit.

By addressing technical challenges, as the largest upstream professional society, SPE provides a worldwide forum for sharing technology, knowledge and the latest solutions for overcoming the technical challenges of finding and producing more oil and natural gas. SPE also helps address critical issues of the future such as sustainability of energy supplies and carbon sequestration.

By preparing the next generation of energy professionals for careers in our industry, SPE’s programmes help by offering both professional and skill development through workshops, training courses, publications, Section activities and online mentoring.

By working with schools and universities to attract more young people to our profession with scholarships, our global energy multilingual education outreach programme, Energy4me, the SPE Ambassador programme and teacher workshops and education events aimed at students and school children.

By maintaining high professional standards by offering members continuing education options globally. SPE Petroleum Engineering Certification offers an international credential recognising petroleum engineering expertise.

Trustees' report (continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2021

Distinguished Lecturer Programme

The Distinguished Lecturer Programme, available to Sections throughout the world, is one of the most popular SPE-administered programmes. This annual programme began in 1961 with three highly regarded "Distinguished Lecturers." Currently SPE sends 30 to 35 lecturers to 191 Sections providing three lectures per season, which averages 550 presentations per programme year.

The programme is a key component of SPE's technology dissemination mission. The programme is designed to provide Sections with outstanding, expert speakers for Section meetings. It also recognises the professional contributions of those selected as Distinguished Lecturers.

Every compliant SPE Section is now entitled to up to two Distinguished Lecturer presentations each year. The programme runs from September through June. Rising travel costs and the reduced number of flights to some of the more remote locations continue to provide challenges in scheduling lecturer visits as we add new Sections.

The Distinguished Lecturer Committee selects topics and individual lecturers each year. Each lecturer chosen by the Distinguished Lecturer Committee is an authority in his or her field and a competent public speaker. Potential lecturers are selected in May and finalised in September/October for the following programme year. The cost of this programme continues to grow annually due to increases in travel expenses worldwide. This trend is compounded by our increasing number of new Sections in remote locations, which adds to the airline and travel expenses required to send our lecturers there. Recognising the importance of the programme to the industry globally this is one of the programmes which SPE Europe funds.

Current Position and Future Strategy

The main objectives for the forthcoming year, as well as the Trustees' assessment of the Group's actual performance for this year, are set out below:

Technical Meetings

The Group conducts its trading activities through its two trading subsidiaries, SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited. These companies organise and hold workshops, training courses and conferences to further the aims of the charitable organisation.

The overall aim of the Group is to disseminate technical information through technical conferences and meetings:

In FY21, 13 events were held in Europe, Russia and the Caspian, which were attended by SPE professional members, students and non-members compared to 17 which were held in FY20. This figure includes conferences, workshops and Symposiums. FY21 was an unusual year due to the pandemic and the movement of our events from in-person to Virtual. The lower figure of produced events was unusually low as some events chose to postpone to the end of the year and even the next FY to make sure that they could be held in-person. The focus for FY21 was moving as many of our events to virtual events and mastering the new medium to make sure that the events were delivered in the most appropriate way and the SPE mission was maintained.

Trustees' report (continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2021

In FY22, SPE Europe will continue to sustain its core objective of the dissemination of technical knowledge with 19 events scheduled across the region. During the COVID-19 situation, the main emphasis for FY22 will be making sure as many of the planned events will take place either as in-person or as virtual events.

Educational Programmes

SPE continues to maintain and add information to the Society's online resources and educational publications and services.

OnePetro

OnePetro, a multi-society online library, contains over 160,000 technical papers from SPE as well as 18 other publishing partners. OnePetro is supported by subscriptions from academic and corporate institutions as well as individual paper sales. The technical resources available on OnePetro continue to grow with peer-reviewed journal articles as well as proceedings from conferences held worldwide being added monthly. The majority of papers are in the English language; however, there are also papers available in the Russian language.

Energy4Me

The Energy4me (e4me) programme to educate school aged children and their teachers and parents about the industry also continues to grow with materials now available in seven languages and used globally by schools. Regional websites allow easy access to SPE's information. The programme is particularly strong in Scotland championed by the Aberdeen section and was again featured in the Caspian event in Kazakhstan (60 teachers attended virtually)

Training Courses

Training courses are still very much in the recovery phase and being hit again with budget constraints. Only 1 course was held and that was delivered virtually.

Scholarships and Fellowships

5 Scholarships and Fellowships are continuing to be awarded each year which are operated by staff in the SPE London Office and award students around the world. This includes the SPE Foundation Gus Archie Scholarship (one winner receiving USD 5,000 for up to 4 years), SPE Foundation Nico van Wingen Graduate Fellowship (one winner receiving USD 5,000 for up to 4 years), Henry DeWitt Smith Memorial Fellowship (one winner single payment of USD 5,000) and the Imomoh Scholarship (four winners with a single payment of USD 2,000). In November 2019 applications also opened for a new Scholarship called the Donald G. Russell Scholarship which gives 2 recipients a one time payment of USD 4,000 and the first payment went out in the summer of 2020.

From 2016, the Scholarships programme is administered by a coordinator in the London Office representing the Young Member Programs, prior to this it was managed by the Membership Team based in the Dallas Office with additional coordination for applications from regional office staff.

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Student Paper Contests

In 2019 14 regional contests continued to be run annually with the winners offered an expenses paid trip to compete internationally at the SPE Annual Meeting in October 2019, with other regional winners. Up to 42 winners (three per 14 regional contests). The winners are awarded funding to cover return flights, four nights' accommodation, event registration and VISA costs if required. Where possible these costs are paid for directly but in some situations, reimbursements are made directly to students who have already covered the costs themselves. Winners of this international competition are awarded a financial prize of USD 1,000 utilizing sponsorship gained for the program. This is processed by the Young Member Programs Team in the London Office.

Given the travel restrictions of COVID-19 the winners of the 2020 and 2021 contests will not be offered paid travel to ATCE. A nominal prize of USD 500 will be given to students in the meantime through regional programme budgets.

Distinguished Lecture Programme

This programme, outlined above, remains a great success being extremely valued by the membership globally. SPE Europe will continue to fund this important programme.

Awards Programme

With awards presented at a regional and international level SPE members achieve recognition amongst their peers within the industry.

Certification Programme

Certification exams continue to be run to give a qualification for those who choose to study hard for and take this multidisciplinary open book exam. High value is placed by the industry on those who can claim achievement of this qualification.

Sections

SPE members are all affiliated to a local Section. Sections are located around the world and provide an operating framework for all major society activities. Sections are semi-autonomous units and self-governing within the framework of SPE policies. Section members elect officers and directors annually. Sections are organized into regions, and each region has representation on the SPE Board of Directors.

This structure allows for members based geographically close to each other the opportunity to network with other members through meetings and events at a local level. Some Sections are larger and some more active than others. In FY21 we saw the establishment of a new Section in this region in Dakar. In FY22 new Sections will continue to be established as the membership continues to grow across the regions.

Student Chapters

Student Chapters are all affiliated with an academic establishment offering a relevant petroleum engineering related course. In FY21 there were six new Student Chapters established within our Region. The universities were based in Nigeria and Kenya. In the coming year, new Chapters will continue to be established allowing SPE to continue the connection between students and our professional membership to secure the future of the industry workforce. There continues to be a strong growth in Student Chapters, however the criteria for establishing Student Chapter have been tightened.

Trustees' report (continued)

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SPE Europe will continue to work in the year ahead to identify programmes and projects that meet our mission. The Trustees review new programmes regularly, which they can support and new projects are regularly assessed for their value.

Achievements and Performance

All of SPE's initiatives and activities are directed and organised by its members, with staff support. All such initiatives and activities are regularly reviewed and assessed by the membership, by use of membership and non-membership surveys. In addition, rigorous Key Performance Indicators set by the SPE Board of Directors regularly review and measure performance in all areas of the Society's work, including Publications and Periodicals, Technical Meetings and Conferences, Audit and Administration, Internet-Based Services and Member Services.

Risk Management

The Trustees have continued their overview during the year to examine the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces. Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe and its related entities face multiple risks. These various risks are normal and customary as they relate to Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe's business. In addition to management's assessment of these risks, SPE's internal audit function has been actively auditing SPE's operations in London for over five years as well as more recently in Moscow. Throughout this timeframe, internal audit has observed, and reports that, the risks listed below are effectively managed in accordance with standard SPE and industry practices.

Strategic Risks (External)

- Political unrest – political issues/changes, e.g. Russia, Middle East, Africa
- Economic environment – 'Great Recession', banking issues, stagnant economic growth
- Social activism – oil spill(s), public perception/image of oil industry
- Cultural factors – diversity of religion(s), migration, aging of customer base

Business Operating and Financial Risks (Internal)

- Processes – support SPE's mission; membership growth, event management
- Personnel – hiring, retention/attrition, training, growth
- Compliance – FCPA, UK Bribery Act, Charity Commission for England and Wales, Data Protection and privacy laws
- Sanctions – observing legal restrictions applicable to designated countries
- Traditional financial risks – addressed by the internal audit department; risk assessment, audit planning, systems and processes, evaluation of internal control(s) design, substantive testing of all major classes and categories of financial transactions, fraud awareness

External risks

Trustees' report (continued)

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SPE Europe's management has remained aware of the primary external risks and has taken measures, such as cancelling, moving and rescheduling of events that might present security or safety risks to attendees, sponsors and staff. There are no examples where any known significant risk was ignored.

Without doubt the current situation with COVID19 has had a major effect on the ability to run in person events. It has not been possible to run any of the scheduled in person events to date in 2021. It is highly unlikely we will be running any in person events in the 2021 calendar year. No events have been cancelled and will be run as virtual events. Due to the nature of virtual events we will see an upturn in attendees, but due to pricing variations, we will see an overall drop in total revenues.

Internal risks

SPE Europe's management has identified and improved its primary business processes consistently over time. Personnel levels are expanded or reduced as necessary and properly trained. Management has taken steps to ensure compliance with all applicable regulations promulgated by the governing bodies such as the Charity Commission for England and Wales and has acted proactively to ensure compliance with current regulations. Management has complied with all legal sanctions imposed by all governments involved. Financial risks have been assessed and evaluated by SPE's Internal Audit department. Management has responded positively to recommendations made by Internal Audit.

Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Trustees constantly monitor the risks and uncertainties facing the Group with particular reference to the exposure on price, exchange rates, credit, liquidity and cash flow risks. Management has procedures in place whereby forward contracts may be used to hedge against foreign exchange risks and credit control procedures are tightly monitored in order to minimise liquidity and cash flow risks. They are confident that there are suitable policies in place and there are no material risks and uncertainties which have not been considered.

Reserves policy

The SPE Europe board regularly reviews the financial position and performance of the charity and its trading subsidiaries and is confident that, despite the current global downturn in oil prices, the organisation has sufficient resources to continue trading as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

The primary purpose of the Reserve Fund (the Fund) for the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe (SPEU) and the aim of the Trustees' reserves policy is to make available a source of revenues to be used by SPEU or other subsidiaries of SPE Inc to:

- ensure the continuation of normal business activities should SPEU's operating revenues be insufficient to meet expenses during a period of sustained economic distress;
- provide risk funds for the development of member service programmes as approved by the SPE Inc Board of Directors; and

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- accommodate minor annual operating surpluses and deficits that may occur from time to time.

The corpus of the SPEU Reserve Fund shall be determined by the total resources expended as reported in the SPEU annual consolidated financial statement, as approved by the SPEU Board of Directors, averaged over a two-year period. Funds in the amount of one-half (6 months) the annual total resources expended should be accumulated for use in future capital expenditures and new ventures. Any amount over the target level for the Reserve Fund balance can be used for any purpose consistent with the Society's charitable status and objects and as approved by the SPEU Board of Directors.

SPE International has instituted an Advantage Programme which allocated 4% of its global reserve funds towards new initiatives, including Public Energy Education, Dedicated Programmes for the Young, complimentary Meeting Attendance for Academics and Additional Distinguished Lecturer Visits to Local Sections.

	2021	2020	2019
Unrestricted funds	7,694,188	7,997,812	7,206,781
Less: Tangible fixed assets	(211,823)	(235,153)	(238,832)
Less: Programme related investment (subject to annual board approval the intention is to designate funds to the support of the Star scholarship and Distinguished lecture programme administered by the Society of Petroleum Engineers, in line with the 2017 strategic plan)	-	-	(400,000)
Level of reserves available for purpose consistent with the Society's charitable status	7,482,365	7,762,659	6,567,949

In line with our reserves policy, the target amount for the SPEU reserves fund for the financial year ending 31 March 2021 is calculated to be equivalent to £2.8m (2020: £3.8m). When compared to the target reserve fund balance of £2.8m, a surplus of £4.7m (2020: £4m) remains in the level of reserves available for charitable purposes.

Investment Policy and Performance

The charity's policy is to invest in funds whose risk profile is considered to be low to moderate. The aim is to achieve over a period of several years better returns than those achieved by funds with a similar risk profile. The charity's portfolio has performed well for the financial year ending 31 March 2021 giving the charity a gain of £1.1m.

Trustees' report (continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2021

Financial Review

Details of the results of activity of the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe itself are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities.

During the year the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe consolidated Group had incoming resources from charitable activities of £742k (2020: £4.5m) and investment gains of £1.1m (2020: loss of £273k), the Group has expended resources of £2.1m (2020: £3.4m). Taken together with gains on investment assets, there was a loss for the year of £304k (2020: gain of £791k). Operating income overall performance of SPE Europe consolidated group was better than budget by £200k for FY2021. Operating expenses were lower than budget by £503k while program performance came in slightly under budget by £291k. Major financial achievements during the year can be attributed to the holding of the Russian Petroleum Conference, the Drilling Conference and the Caspian Technical Conference and Exhibition, all of which took place virtually within this financial year. In addition, as the Group enters into the new fiscal year, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic is still being felt with the anticipation of returning to in-person events in 2022.

This year the Group's income receivable from the joint ventures amounted to £56k (2020: £2.5m). Over the two-year period Offshore Europe and Engineous (Formerly Intelligent Energy) have historically contributed over £2.7m in profits to SPE, this is forecast to slightly decrease in future periods, due to continued tough trading conditions. The partnership with Reed Exhibitions continues to be of critical importance both to SPE Europe and to SPEI's ability to deliver membership programmes such as the Distinguished Lecturer Programme.

At the end of the financial year the Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe consolidated Group carries forward net assets of £7,695,188 (2020: £7,998,812). Listed investments plus cash and bank deposits totalled £7,901,177 (2020: £7,786,750) at the financial year end, comfortably sufficient to meet the Group's short-term obligations to creditors.

Operations

SPE Europe conducts its trading activities through its two trading subsidiaries, SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited. During the year ended 31 March 2021, SPE Ventures Limited made an operating loss of £333,949. The company's main operations relate to the staging of conferences, workshops and training courses for professionals who are employed in the oil and gas industry. During the year ended 31 March 2021, SPE Trading Limited made an operating loss of £36,045. The company's main operations relate to the staging of joint venture conferences for professionals who are employed in the oil and gas industry.

The principal source of funding during the year continues to be income from conferences and workshops. In FY21, every effort has been made to keep costs as low as possible to ensure that events are not only relevant to the membership but also affordable. Local advice and recommendations continue to drive the programmes being produced in the emerging regions where events can act as a shop window on the Society and support our growth initiatives in these areas.

Trustees' report (continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2021

Highlights of this year's event programme are as follows:

Russian Petroleum Technology Conference

RPTC was held virtually for the first time. Opening Panel session and the "New Materials: Towards the Future" special session and 4 round tables were broadcasted from studio. All technical sessions (35) went live with simulations translation. 241 presentations during 4 days. 196 video broadcasts on SPE resources.

Regional Webinars in Russia

A new initiative was launched from May 2020 to help with the sections as many people could not meet in person. 26 free webinars were held. Speakers were regional lecturers, the best speakers of SPE conferences, as well as speakers from sections. In total, 1,805 participants took part in the webinars from 26 countries and were employees of 26 companies.

SPE Annual Caspian Technical Conference (CTC) and SPE Symposium: Caspian Health, Safety, Security, Environment and Social Responsibility (HSSE&S)

NC JSC Kazmunaigas hosted the Annual CTC along with a special one day HSSE&S to maintain the momentum from FY20. Both events were held Virtually with simultaneous translation in three languages. The technical papers went live 1 week before the conference dates so the delegates could review all the content before the live Q&A sessions over the event two days. The two day 'event' had 7 panel sessions and 36 technical presentations Q&A sessions over three streams with a registered attendance of over 500.

SPE/IADC International Drilling Conference and Exhibition

The international biennial drilling event was held virtual and hosted by Equinor with the keynote from Arne Sigve Nylund, Executive Vice President Technology, Projects and Drilling. Over 5 days the event had an attendance of over 1000 people attending the special sessions from DSATS and the Diversity & Inclusion committees, the plenary panels, technical programme and virtual exhibition.

Plans for Future Periods

The key elements of the Charity's medium to long-term strategy are:

- Capability Development
- Knowledge Transfer
- Promoting Professional and Social Responsibility
- Public Education about the Petroleum Engineering profession and industry issues

SPE's programmes all strive to meet these strategic priorities fitting with the overall mission.

Trustees' report (continued)

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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also Directors of Society of Petroleum Engineers (Europe) Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable Company and the Group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable Company and the Group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable Company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable Company's transactions, disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and the provisions of the charity's constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and the Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Insofar as each of the trustees of the charity at the date of approval of this report is aware there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the charity's auditor in connection with preparing the audit report) of which the charity's auditor is unaware. Each trustee has taken all of the steps that he/she should have taken as a trustee in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditor is aware of that information.

The Report of the Trustees, which includes the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report required by company law (included therein), was approved by the Board and signed on their behalf by:



James Rawes

Trustee

31 August 2021

Independent auditor's report

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS EUROPE LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited (the 'parent charitable company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2021 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Consolidated and Company Balance Sheets, the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2021 and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group and parent charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group's or parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Independent auditor's report (continued)

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Trustees' Report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Trustees' Report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' Report, which includes the Directors' Report and the Strategic Report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Directors' Report and the Strategic Report included within the Trustees' Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent charitable company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' Report or the Strategic Report included within the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent charitable company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or

Independent auditor's report (continued)

- the parent charitable company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' responsibilities set out on page 14, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the group's and parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the group or parent charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. The objectives of our audit are to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding compliance with laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, to perform audit procedures to help identify instances of non-compliance with other laws and regulations that may have a material effect on the financial statements, and to respond appropriately to identified or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations identified during the audit.

In relation to fraud, the objectives of our audit are to identify and assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud, to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud through designing and implementing appropriate responses and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit.

Independent auditor's report (continued)

However, it is the primary responsibility of management, with the oversight of those charged with governance, to ensure that the entity's operations are conducted in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and for the prevention and detection of fraud.

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud, the group audit engagement team:

- obtained an understanding of the nature of the sector, including the legal and regulatory framework that the group and parent charitable company operates in and how the group and parent charitable company are complying with the legal and regulatory framework;
- inquired of management, and those charged with governance, about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities, including any known actual, suspected or alleged instances of fraud;
- discussed matters about non-compliance with laws and regulations and how fraud might occur including assessment of how and where the financial statements may be susceptible to fraud.

As a result of these procedures we consider the most significant laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements are FRS 102, Charities SORP (FRS 102), Companies Act 2006, Charities Act 2011, the parent charitable company's governing document and Charities (Protection and Social Investment) Act 2016. We performed audit procedures to detect non-compliances which may have a material impact on the financial statements which included reviewing the financial statements including the Trustees' Report, remaining alert to new or unusual transactions which may not be in accordance with the governing documents and evaluating advice received from internal/external advisors.

The most significant laws and regulations that have an indirect impact on the financial statements are those in relation to data protection. We performed audit procedures to inquire of management whether the group is in compliance with these law and regulations.

The group audit engagement team identified the risk of management override of controls as the area where the financial statements were most susceptible to material misstatement due to fraud. Audit procedures performed included but were not limited to testing manual journal entries and other adjustments, evaluating the business rationale in relation to significant, unusual transactions and transactions entered into outside the normal course of business and challenging judgments and estimates.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Independent auditor's report (continued)

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

RSM UK Audit LLP

NICHOLAS SLADDEN (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of RSM UK AUDIT LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants

25 Farringdon Street

London

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Date. **13 September 2021**

Consolidated statement of financial activities

(Incorporating an income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 March 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Income from			
Charitable activities	2	685,054	1,842,447
Income from joint ventures	7	56,597	2,508,113
Investment income – Bank interest, dividends and interest		-	127,275
Total		741,651	4,477,835
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds			
Investment management costs		6,383	21,443
Management fee		115,740	72,663
Charitable activities	4	2,012,095	3,320,308
Total		2,134,218	3,414,414
Gains/(Loss) on investments		1,088,943	(272,390)
(Expenditure)/Net Income		(303,624)	791,031
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		7,997,812	7,206,781
Total funds carried forward		7,694,188	7,997,812

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Consolidated balance sheet
for the year ended 31 March 2021
Registered number: 2778741

	Notes	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £	2020 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		211,823		235,153
Fixed asset investments	10		<u>5,841,817</u>		<u>4,762,452</u>
			6,053,640		4,997,605
Current assets					
Debtors	11	309,510		643,679	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>2,059,362</u>		<u>3,024,298</u>	
		2,368,872		3,667,977	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(727,324)</u>		<u>(666,770)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>1,641,548</u>		<u>3,001,207</u>
Net assets			<u>7,695,188</u>		<u>7,998,812</u>
Capital and funds					
Called-up share capital	13		1,000		1,000
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>					
General fund	14		7,694,188		7,997,812
Designated fund	14		-		-
Total capital and funds			<u>7,695,188</u>		<u>7,998,812</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board and authorised for issue on 31st August 2021.



James Rawes

Trustee

31 August 2021

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Company balance sheet
for the year ended 31 March 2021
Registered number: 2778741

		2021	2020
	Notes	£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	211,823	235,153
Investments	10	5,841,819	4,762,456
		<u>6,053,642</u>	<u>4,997,609</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	11	2,183,877	1,472,565
Cash at bank and in hand		1,439,204	603,640
		<u>3,623,081</u>	<u>2,076,205</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(1,511,764)	(1,419,957)
Net current assets		<u>2,111,317</u>	<u>656,248</u>
Net assets		<u>8,164,959</u>	<u>5,653,857</u>
Capital and funds			
Called-up equity share capital	13	1,000	1,000
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>			
General fund	14	8,163,959	5,652,857
Designated fund	14	-	-
Total capital and funds		<u>8,164,959</u>	<u>5,653,857</u>

No separate statement of financial activities is presented for Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited as provided by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006. The surplus for the year for Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited for Companies Act 2006 purposes was £2,591,958 (2020: £1,619,056 loss).

The financial statements were approved by the board and authorised for issue on 31st August 2021.


James Rawes

Trustee

31 August 2021

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of the financial statements

Consolidated cash flow statement

for the year ended 31 March 2021

Registered number: 2778741

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net cash provided by operating activities	(a)	(955,752)	1,701,961
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Dividends		(6,383)	95,853
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(5,996)	(25,993)
Proceeds from sale of investments		9,679	6,806,931
Purchase of investments		-	(7,021,481)
Net cash used in investing activities		(2,700)	(144,690)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(958,452)	1,557,271
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		3,026,551	1,469,280
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		2,068,099	3,026,551

Note (a) – Reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period	(303,624)	791,031
Net cash (used in)/ provided by operating activities		
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	29,326	29,672
Gains/(Losses) on investments	(1,082,560)	1,443,783
Dividends, interest and rent from investments	6,383	(95,853)
Decrease in debtors	334,169	199,900
Decrease in creditors	60,554	(666,572)
Net cash provided by/(used in) by operating activities	(955,752)	1,701,961

Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

Cash in hand	2,059,362	3,024,298
Notice deposits (less than 3 months)	8,737	2,253
Cash and cash equivalents	2,068,099	3,026,551

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1. Accounting policies

A summary of the Group's principal accounting policies, all of which have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year, is set out below.

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

Society of Petroleum Engineers (Europe) Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

The individual entity accounts of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited have taken advantage of the disclosure exemption under FRS 102 to separately disclose categories of financial instruments and items of income, expenses, gains or losses relating to instruments as these have been presented on a Group basis in the notes to the accounts.

Income received in foreign currency is translated at the month end exchange rate to GBP. The Russian branch's functional currency is Rubles.

b) Going concern

As highlighted in the report of the Trustees, having assessed the Group's financial position, its plans for the foreseeable future and the risks to which it is exposed, the Trustees are satisfied that it remains appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The directors have reviewed the Group and Company's financial position, its plans for the foreseeable future and the risks to which it is exposed. The directors have taken into account the impact of COVID-19 for in-person events for FY22. Taking into account future cash flows, group support will also be available to the Company from the ultimate parent entity, SPE Inc. if the need arises. On the above basis, the directors remain satisfied that it continues to be appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

Since the World Health Organization declared Covid-19 a pandemic on March 11, 2020, SPE continues to face challenges and uncertainties. The continued mutations of COVID-19 are slowing the anticipated return of support from the Company's members and supporting companies. The extent to which COVID-19 affects the Company's results will depend on future world-wide vaccine acceptance and reducing the severity of future COVID-19 outbreaks. The Company continues to expect challenges going forward as the industry begins to recover from the pandemic. The Company is currently developing a Virtual Program strategy that will incorporate many of the different ways the Company collects technical information and provide a platform for members to access the information. The Company

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will continue to review planning progress for upcoming events and future events, such as offering hybrid events, which include both in-person and digital options. The Company is continually managing its operating expenditures and reserves effectively to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

In May of 2021, the Company and the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG) made an announcement that the two organizations would begin exploring a potential merger. If the merger is approved by both societies, it is anticipated that the merger will occur in the summer of 2022.

c) Basis of consolidation

The Group financial statements consolidate the accounts of Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited and all its subsidiary undertakings up to 31 March 2021. In the Company's accounts, investments in subsidiary undertakings are stated at cost, less amounts written off.

The Group financial statements incorporate joint ventures under the equity method of accounting, supplemented by additional disclosures for joint ventures.

The Group's results for the year are shown on page 20.

d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise general funds where monies are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and designated funds where monies are unrestricted but they have been designated by the Trustees for a specific purpose.

e) Income

Investment income

Investment income relates to dividends and interest realised on investments and bank interest receivable. Investment income is accounted for on the accruals basis, other than dividend income, which is recognised on receipt.

Charitable activities

Income from charitable activities relates to conference income and represents amounts receivable (exclusive of VAT) from visitors to, and exhibitors at, petroleum conferences organised by the Group, together with donations from sponsor companies and other contributions. Conference and associated income is only recognised at the point at which the event is held and is deferred for events which occur in the next accounting period.

f) Expenditure

Raising Funds

Fundraising trading costs relate to management fees paid during the year. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

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Investment management fee

These costs relate to fees charged by investment managers for managing the investment portfolio. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprise expenditure, including staff costs, directly attributable to the activity. Where costs cannot be directly attributed they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. These costs are accounted for on the accruals basis.

Governance costs

Governance costs relate to expenditure, including Board expenses, attributable to the costs of running the Board. These costs are accounted for on an accruals basis.

Support Costs

Support costs are broken down into two difference categories, Support Costs-Management and Support Costs-Other. Support costs-Management covers Overhead expenses adjusted downward for management time for Due and Member Programs and Governance Costs. Support costs – Other covers Operating expenses plus Audit, Legal and Board Expenses.

g) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are shown at original historical cost. Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis on all tangible fixed assets at rates designed to write off costs, less estimated residual values, over their expected useful lives, as follows:

Computer equipment	- 3 years
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	- 5 to 10 years

h) Investments

Investments are stated at market value. Initial recognition of investments are at cost. It is the Group's policy to keep valuations up to date such that when investments are sold, there is no gain or loss arising. As a result, the Statement of Financial Activities includes those unrealised gains and losses arising from the revaluation of the investment portfolio throughout the year, and realised gains and losses of investments disposed during the year. Disclosure is made in note 9 of the difference between the historical cost and the sale proceeds of the investments sold during the year.

i) Joint ventures

An entity is treated as a joint venture where the Group holds a long term interest and shares control under a contractual agreement.

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In the Group accounts, interests in joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The consolidated statement of financial activities indicates the Group's share of the net interest in the joint ventures. In the consolidated balance sheet notes, amounts owing from the joint venture are disclosed.

j) Operating lease commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged on a straight line basis over the lease term.

k) Foreign currency

In the accounts of individual undertakings, transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded in GBP at actual exchange rates as of the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are reported at the rates of exchange prevailing at that date. Any gain or loss arising from a change in exchange rates subsequent to the date of the transaction is included as an exchange gain or loss in the statement of financial activities.

The results of overseas operations are translated at the average rate of exchange during the period. Balance sheet accounts are translated at the rate ruling at the balance sheet date.

l) Financial instruments

The Group has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Financial assets held at amortised cost comprise cash and bank and in hand, together with trade and other debtors. Financial liabilities held at amortised cost comprise bank loans and overdrafts, trade, other creditors and accruals.

Investments, including bonds held as part of an investment portfolio are held at fair value at the Balance Sheet date, with gains and losses being recognised within income and expenditure. Investments in subsidiary undertakings are held at cost less impairment.

m) Pension costs

The Group provides pensions to all employees through a funded defined contribution scheme. The amount expended in the statement of financial activities is the contributions payable in the year.

n) Company information

The charity is a private limited company, registered by shares (registered number 2778741), which is incorporated and domiciled in the England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Fourth Floor West, America House, 2 America Square, London EC3N 2LU.

o) Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, which are described in note 1, Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily

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apparent from other sources. The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects the current and future periods.

In the view of the Trustees, no assumptions concerning the future or estimation uncertainty affecting assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date are likely to result in a material adjustment to their carrying amounts in the next financial year.

2. Income from charitable activities

	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£
Conference income	685,054	1,842,447

The geographic split of the turnover is as follows:

Geographic Region	2021	2020
	£	£
UK	260,049	520,511
Europe	94,590	320,599
Russia and Caspian	329,747	999,608
Africa	668	1,729
	685,054	1,842,447

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3. Net income/expenditure for the year

Net income/expenditure for the year are stated after charging:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Staff costs (see note 5)	862,768	1,168,809
Depreciation	29,326	29,672
Rent	193,794	196,044
Auditors' remuneration	51,000	41,538
Non-audit services (tax compliance)	6,750	6,923
	<u>1,143,638</u>	<u>1,442,986</u>

4. Expenditure in respect of charitable activities

Activity	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs management	Support costs other	Total 2021
Conferences	265,443	813,659	796,143	1,875,245
Members' Programmes	-	136,850	-	136,850
	<u>265,443</u>	<u>950,509</u>	<u>796,143</u>	<u>2,012,095</u>

Activity	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs management	Support costs other	Total 2020
Conferences	759,962	871,594	838,830	2,470,386
Members' Programmes	400,000	449,922	-	849,922
	<u>1,159,962</u>	<u>1,321,516</u>	<u>838,830</u>	<u>3,320,308</u>

Support costs are analysed as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Support costs:		
Staff costs	883,220	1,199,949
Other operating expenses	17,017	72,657
Governance costs	157,540	157,891
Administration costs	688,875	729,849
	<u>1,746,652</u>	<u>2,160,346</u>

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5. Governance costs

Governance costs are stated in respect of:

	2021	2020
	£	£
External audit and taxation services	57,750	48,462
Other financial services and consultancy	49,518	60,023
Board expenses	-	497
Management salaries	50,273	48,909
	<u>157,541</u>	<u>157,891</u>

6. Staff costs

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	714,663	941,044
Social security costs	104,328	163,005
Other pension costs (note 14c)	43,777	64,760
	<u>862,768</u>	<u>1,168,809</u>

Staff costs exclude the salaries for 7 individuals totalling £536,837 (2020: £489,702) who are employed by the Group but work primarily for Society of Petroleum Engineers Inc and whose time has been re-charged to that entity.

The average number of employees, including Directors (who are Trustees), employed by the Group during the year was:

	2021	2020
	Number	Number
Members programme	5	5
Conference organisation	12	12
Support	4	4
Sales	4	4
Management and administration	6	6
	<u>31</u>	<u>31</u>

The number of employees earning over £60,000 during the year, excluding pension contributions, was as follows:

	2021	2020
	Number	Number
Income band £100,000 - £ 109,999	-	1
Income band £80,000 - £ 89,999	1	-
Income band £60,000 - £ 69,999	1	1
	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

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Pension contributions to money purchasing pension scheme in respect of the above employees during the year were £7,468 (2020: £8,698)

In addition to the Trustees, Key management personnel of the charity comprise the Human Resources Director, the Events Director for Europe, Caspian and Sub-Saharan Africa, the Senior Manager for Sales and Business Development, the VP Sales, Marketing and Business Development and the Senior Finance Manager. The costs for the Human Resources Director and the VP Sales, Marketing and Business Development are re-charged to Society of Petroleum Inc.

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £536,243 (2020: £523,210).

Trustees' remuneration

The following Trustees received the following remuneration as employees of SPE Europe and/or the parent entity SPE Inc during the year:

	Basic	Benefits	Total
James Rawes	142,729	9,085	151,814
John Joseph Healy	124,548	9,273	133,821
Total	<u>267,277</u>	<u>18,358</u>	<u>285,635</u>

None of the Trustees were remunerated for their services as Trustees. The Trustees expenses for the year amounted to £Nil (2019: £Nil).

7. Income from joint venture

The geographical analysis of the share of the Group's profits from the joint ventures is as follows:

	2021	2020
United Kingdom	56,597	2,508,113
	56,597	2,508,113

8. Taxation

Society of Petroleum Engineers Europe Limited is a registered charity and is not subject to UK corporation tax on profits from its charitable activities. The subsidiaries are not charities and are therefore subject to corporation tax on their profits.

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9. Tangible fixed assets

	Computer equipment	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
Group and Company			
	£	£	£
Cost			
At beginning of year	209,970	503,902	713,872
Additions	5,996	-	5,996
At end of year	215,966	503,902	719,868
Depreciation			
At beginning of year	171,656	307,063	478,719
Charge for the year	9,688	19,638	29,326
At end of year	181,344	326,701	508,045
Net book value			
At 1 April 2020	38,313	196,839	235,153
At 31 March 2021	34,622	177,201	211,823

All of the Company's fixed assets are held for use on a continuing basis for the organisation of conferences.

10. Fixed asset investments

	Group		Company	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Listed investments	5,833,078	4,760,199	5,833,078	4,760,199
Cash awaiting investment	8,739	2,253	8,737	2,253
Subsidiary undertakings	-	-	4	4
	5,841,817	4,762,452	5,841,819	4,762,456

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The Group has a 50% interest in two joint ventures E&P Events LLP, registered in England and Wales, and Offshore Europe Partnership. The partnerships hold biennial conferences for petroleum engineers. Audited accounts are prepared for the Offshore Europe Partnership every two years. The last Offshore Europe Partnership conference was held during the year ending 31 December 2019, and audited accounts are available for the 24 months ended 31 December 2019. The E&P Events LLP audited accounts are available for the year ended 31 December 2019.

The Group is entitled to draw the whole of its share of the profit of both Offshore Europe Partnership and E&P Events LLP. The Group has received, as part of its entitlement under the Offshore Europe Partnership agreement, an amount of £25,316 (2020: £2,508,113), and under the E&P Events LLP agreement, an amount of £31,281 (2020: £Nil) in the year ending 31 March 2021.

The Group's aggregate interests in the joint ventures are as follows;

	2021	2020
	£	£
Turnover	-	4,748,299
Tangible fixed assets		
Current assets	190,001	2,999,046
Liabilities due within one year	(127,439)	(2,245,567)
Net assets	62,652	753,479

Included in incoming resources from charitable activities, in addition to conference programming income receivable, there are cost reimbursements, sponsorship and management fees from the two joint ventures amounting to £Nil (2020 £144,004).

Principal Group investments

The Company has two wholly-owned subsidiary undertakings at the year end: SPE Trading Limited and SPE Ventures Limited, both of which are registered in England and Wales (see note 15).

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10. Fixed asset investments (continued)

Listed investments

	2021 £	2020 £
Market value as at beginning of year	4,760,199	5,989,433
Additions	-	7,021,485
Disposal proceeds	(16,064)	(7,978,329)
Net investment gain in year	<u>1,088,943</u>	<u>(272,390)</u>
Market value at end of year	<u>5,833,078</u>	<u>4,760,199</u>
Historical cost at end of year	<u>5,285,764</u>	<u>5,293,863</u>
Unrealised gain at end of year	<u>547,315</u>	<u>(533,664)</u>
Realised gain on historical cost basis	<u>(1,615)</u>	<u>1,181,372</u>

Listed investments comprise investments listed on the UK Stock Exchange.

11. Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year

	Group 2021 £	2020 £	Company 2021 £	2020 £
Trade debtors	72,945	384,026	24,769	11,577
Amount owed by related entities	92,867	74,849	92,867	35,461
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	932	15,954	1,933,574	1,312,990
Other debtors	1,242	4,283	11,824	4,283
Social security and other taxes	-	6,910	-	10,582
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>141,524</u>	<u>157,657</u>	<u>120,843</u>	<u>97,672</u>
	<u>309,510</u>	<u>643,679</u>	<u>2,183,877</u>	<u>1,472,565</u>

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12. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Company	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Trade Creditors	192,802	97,781	61,462	73,715
Amounts owed to related group entities	293,186	186,554	237,831	186,488
Amount owed to subsidiary undertakings	-	-	1,021,714	948,080
Taxation and social security	43,274	-	39,973	-
Other Creditors	898	-	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	197,164	382,435	150,784	211,674
	727,324	666,770	1,511,764	1,419,957

Deferred Income

Income deferred in the current year relates to advanced conference registrations, exhibition and sponsorship income for conferences taking place after 31 March 2021.

	Group	Company
	£	£
Balance as at 1 April 2020	118,139	-
Amount released to incoming resources	(118,139)	-
Amount deferred in year	20,565	-
Balance as at 31 March 2021	20,565	-

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13. Called-up equity share capital

	2021 £	2020 £
Group and Company		
<i>Allotted, called-up and fully-paid</i>		
1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>

14. Reconciliation of movements in capital and funds

	Balance 1 April 2020	Income	Net gains on investment	Expenditure	Balance 31 March 2021
2021					
Group	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	7,997,812	741,651	1,088,943	(2,134,218)	7,694,188
Total capital and funds	7,998,812	741,651	1,088,943	(2,134,218)	7,695,188
Company	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	5,652,857	3,055,084	1,088,943	(1,632,925)	8,163,959
Total capital and funds	5,653,857	3,055,084	1,088,943	(1,632,925)	8,164,959

	Balance 1 April 2019	Income	Net gains/ (losses) on investment	Expenditure	Balance 31 March 2020
2020					
Group	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	6,806,781	4,477,835	(272,390)	(3,014,414)	7,997,812
SPE Members Program fund	400,000	-	-	(400,000)	-
Total capital and funds	7,207,781	4,477,835	(272,390)	(3,414,414)	7,998,812
Company	£	£	£	£	£
Called-up equity share capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted general funds	6,871,912	1,070,960	(272,390)	(2,017,625)	5,652,857
Members Program fund	400,000	-	-	(400,000)	-
Total capital and funds	7,272,912	1,070,960	(272,390)	(2,417,625)	5,653,857

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The Members Programme fund comprises funds designated by the Trustees to support the Members Programme, both of which are administered by the Company in line with the funding programme set out in the 2017 strategic plan. The level of funding made available to these programmes will be reviewed annually by the Board.

Transfers represent the intercompany funds transfer between SPE Europe Limited and its subsidiaries, SPE Trading Limited and SPE Ventures Limited.

15. Guarantees and financial commitments

a. Capital commitments

At the end of the year, there were no capital commitments (2020: £Nil).

b. Lease commitments

At 31 March 2021 the Group and Company had aggregate minimum lease payment commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Operating leases for land and buildings, which expire:				
In less than one year	182,650	180,430	158,160	158,160
one to 5 years	369,040	527,200	369,040	527,200

c. Pension arrangements

The Group provides defined contribution pension schemes for all employees.

The amount charged to the statement of financial activities is the contributions payable in the year and amounted to £43,777 (2020: £64,760).

d. Contingent liabilities

As a partner in Offshore Europe Partnership and E & P Events LLP, SPE Trading Limited is jointly and severally liable, without limit, for the debts of the partnerships. In the event that either partnership fails to pay any debt for which it has primary liability or is unable to pay amounts due, creditors may look directly to SPE Trading Limited for settlement of their debts or obligations.

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16. Subsidiary undertakings

	SPE Ventures Limited	SPE Trading Limited
	£	£
Turnover	684,121	-
Income from joint venture	-	56,597
Costs	<u>(1,018,070)</u>	<u>(92,642)</u>
Net Profit/(loss)	(333,949)	(36,045)
Interest receivable	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Profit/(loss) before tax	(333,949)	(36,045)
Tax charge	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Profit/(loss) after tax	<u>(333,949)</u>	<u>(36,045)</u>
Retained earnings at start of year	<u>(135,821)</u>	<u>2,480,777</u>
Gift Aid payment	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,444,732)</u>
Retained earnings at end of year	<u>(469,770)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net assets/(liabilities)	<u>(469,770)</u>	<u>-</u>

The Company owns the whole of the issued ordinary share capital of SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited, both companies being registered in England (company no. 02538982 and 02365974) and sharing the same registered office as SPE Europe (see note 1).

The Group conducts its trading activities through its two trading subsidiaries, SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited. These companies organise and hold workshops, training courses and conferences to further the aims of the charitable organisation.

The value of the parent Company's investment in each of its subsidiary companies is £2. SPE Ventures Limited and SPE Trading Limited are registered at the Company's offices at 4th Floor West, America House, 2 America Square, London EC3N 2LU.

The 2017 Charity SORP Triennial Review (effective 1 January 2017) amended the accounting requirements for gift aid to stipulate that a gift aid payment shall not be accrued unless a legal obligation to make the payment exists at the reporting date.

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17. Ultimate parent undertaking

The ultimate parent company and controlling related party is Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Inc, registered at 222 Palisades Creek Drive, Richardson, Texas 75080 USA.

At year end, the Group had the following related party transactions and year end balances with Group entities:

	Transactions charged to related parties in the year	Transactions charged from related parties in the year	Receivable from related party at year end	Payable to related party at year end
	£	£	£	£
2021				
SPE International	-	(97,414)	92,867	(223,954)
SPE Canada	-	-	-	-
SPE Foundation	-	-	-	-
SPE Middle East	932	(23,750)	932	(7,190)
SPE Asia Pacific	-	-	-	-
SPE sections and chapters	-	-	-	(62,042)
	<u>932</u>	<u>(121,164)</u>	<u>93,799</u>	<u>(293,186)</u>
2020				
SPE International	195,080	(72,663)	74,849	(125,137)
SPE Canada	-	-	-	-
SPE Foundation	-	-	-	-
SPE Middle East	13,996	-	15,954	-
SPE Asia Pacific	-	-	-	-
SPE sections and chapters	-	-	-	(61,417)
	<u>209,076</u>	<u>(72,663)</u>	<u>90,803</u>	<u>(186,554)</u>

18. Financial instruments

The charity held assets at fair value through income and expenditure of £5,833,078 (2020: £4,760,199). Movements in the year through the statement of financial activities comprised income of £Nil (2020: £127,275) and gain of £1,088,943 (2020: loss of £272,390).